



Huffman, 12 other parents to plead guilty in college scheme

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BOSTON (AP) — "Desperate Housewives" star Felicity Huffman and a dozen other prominent parents have agreed to plead guilty in the college admissions bribery scam that ensnared wealthy families and athletic coaches at some of the nation's most selective universities, federal authorities said Monday. The actress and the other parents were charged last month in the scheme, which authorities say involved rigging standardized test scores and bribing coaches at such prestigious schools as Yale and Georgetown.

Huffman, 56, was accused of paying a consultant \$15,000 disguised as a charitable donation

to boost her daughter's SAT score. Authorities say the actress also discussed going through with the same plan for her younger daughter but ultimately decided not to.

She will plead guilty to a single charge of conspiracy and fraud, according to court documents. Those charges are punishable by up to 20 years in prison, but the plea agreement indicates prosecutors will seek a sentence of four to 10 months.

Experts have said they expect some parents will avoid prison time if they quickly accept responsibility. All of the defendants will have to return to Boston to enter formal guilty pleas, but no new court dates were set.

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In this April 3, 2019 file photo, actress Felicity Huffman arrives at federal court in Boston to face charges in a nationwide college admissions bribery scandal.

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Other parents charged in the scheme include prominent figures in law, finance, fashion, the food and beverage industry and other fields.

It's the biggest college admissions case ever prosecuted by the Justice Department. The scandal embroiled elite universities across the country and laid bare the lengths to which status-seeking parents will go to secure their children a coveted spot.

The consultant, Rick Singer, met with Huffman and her husband, 69-year-old actor William H. Macy, at their Los Angeles home and explained to them that he "controlled" a testing center and could have somebody secretly change their daughter's answers, authorities said. Singer told investigators Huffman and her husband agreed to the plan.

Macy was not charged. Authorities have not said why.

In a statement offering her first public comments since her arrest, Huffman apologized, took responsibility for her actions and said she would accept the conse-

quences.

"My daughter knew absolutely nothing about my actions, and in my misguided and profoundly wrong way, I have betrayed her. This transgression toward her and the public I will carry for the rest of my life. My desire to help my daughter is no excuse to break the law or engage in dishonesty," she said.

Michael Center, the former men's tennis coach at the University of Texas at Austin, has also agreed to plead guilty, prosecutors said Monday. Center was accused of accepting nearly \$100,000 to help a non-tennis playing applicant get admitted as a recruit. California real estate developer Bruce Isackson and his wife, Davina Isackson, who are pleading guilty to participating in both the athletic recruitment and exam rigging schemes, are cooperating with prosecutors for a chance at a lighter sentence.

"We have worked cooperatively with the prosecutors and will continue to do so as we take full responsibility for our bad judgment," they said in a statement.

Actress Lori Loughlin, who played Aunt Becky on the



In this March 28, 2019 file photo, former Texas tennis coach Michael Center, left, departs federal court in Boston with an unidentified woman after facing charges in a nationwide college admissions bribery scandal.

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sitcom "Full House," and her fashion designer husband, Mossimo Giannulli, are charged with paying \$500,000 in bribes to get their two daughters admitted to the University of Southern California as rowing recruits, even though neither participated in the sport. They were not among those who agreed to plead guilty, and they have not publicly addressed the allegations.

Loughlin and Giannulli may be hoping they can get a better deal once the media attention dies down, said former prosecutor Adam Citron. They are also accused of paying much more than Huffman and some other parents, which would call for stiffer penalties under the sentencing guidelines.

Prosecutors "are likely trying to hold her out as an example, so I would assume the plea deal was not the same plea deal as the other defendants," said Citron,

an attorney at New York's Davidoff Hutcher & Citron LLP.

Singer, the consultant, pleaded guilty to charges including racketeering conspiracy on March 12, the same day the allegations against the parents and coaches were made public in the so-called Operations Varsity Blues investigation. Singer secretly recorded his conversations with the parents, helping to build the case against them, after agreeing to work with investigators in the hopes of getting a lesser sentence.

Several coaches have also been charged, including longtime tennis coach Gordon Ernst who's accused of getting \$2.7 million in bribes to designate at least 12 applicants as recruits to Georgetown. Ernst, who was also the personal tennis coach for former first lady Michelle Obama and her daughters, and other coaches have pleaded

not guilty.

Former Yale University women's soccer coach Rudy Meredith has pleaded guilty to accepting bribes to help students get admitted and has been cooperating with authorities. Stanford's former sailing coach John Vandemoer also pleaded guilty to accepting \$270,000 in contributions to the program for agreeing to recommend two prospective students for admission.

Stanford University expelled a student who lied about her sailing credentials in her application, which was linked to the scandal. The university quietly announced it had rescinded the student's admission in a short statement posted on its website April 2 after determining "some of the material in the student's application is false."

University officials previously said the student was admitted without the recommendation of Vandemoer. □



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Secret Service head Alles leaving, career official tapped

By ZEKE MILLER, COLLEEN LONG and JILL COLVIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Secret Service Director Randolph "Tex" Alles has been pushed out of the Trump administration, amid a burgeoning shake-up in the upper echelon of the Department of Homeland Security.

White House press secretary Sarah Sanders said Monday that President Donald Trump had selected career Secret Service official James Murray to lead the agency, saying he will assume the role next month. She added Alles will be "leaving shortly," though the agency later said he would leave in May.

Alles' departure stems from a personality conflict within the agency, three officials said, speaking on the condition of anonymity to discuss the personnel matter. The officials said it was unrelated to the resignation of Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen and a recent security breach at the president's private club in Florida.

Still, it comes amid a spate of turnover across DHS that began last week when Trump withdrew his Immigration and Customs Enforcement director's nomination to stay on permanently.

After Nielsen's departure, an empowered Stephen Miller, the immigration

hawk and White House senior adviser, is also eyeing the removal of Lee Francis Cissna, according to two of the people. Cissna is director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, which runs the legal immigration system.

Alles, a former Marine general who had no prior ties to the Secret Service, was recommended to the post by former White House chief of staff John Kelly. He had been the acting deputy commissioner of Customs and Border Protection. In a message to the agency's workforce, Alles said he was not fired, but said Trump had "directed an orderly transition in leadership for this agency." He expressed "regret" he was not able to address the department before the news broke.

Confirmed in 2017, Alles inherited an agency that had been dealing with a series of security and personnel issues. Weeks before he was nominated, a man jumped the White House fence and spent 15 minutes roaming the grounds. His appointment was set to fulfill the recommendations of a group of former senior government officials that reviewed the Secret Service in 2014 and found that it was an "insular agency" in need of an outsider to lead it. But Alles' unfamiliarity with the agency led to

conflicts, said the officials. Murray, the assistant director of the office of protective operations, had served as the special agent in charge of the agency's Washington field office. Sanders said Alles "has done a great job at the agency over the last two years," and said Trump is thankful for his service.



In this Feb. 1, 2018 file photo, Director of the United States Secret Service, Randolph "Tex" Alles, speaks at the Atlanta Press Club in Atlanta.

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Attorney: Mar-a-Lago infiltrator had hidden-camera detector

By TERRY SPENCER

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.

(AP) — A Chinese woman recently arrested at President Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago club lied repeatedly to Secret Service agents while carrying computer malware unlike anything a government analyst had ever seen and had more than \$8,000 in cash at her hotel room, along with an electronic device that detects hidden cameras, federal authorities told a judge Monday.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Rolando Garcia told Magistrate Judge William Matthewman during a bond hearing that "there are a lot of questions that remain" about 32-year-old Yujing Zhang.

He said the FBI is still investi-



In this artist sketch, a Chinese woman, Yujing Zhang, left, listens to a hearing Monday, April 8, 2019, before federal Magistrate Judge William Matthewman in West Palm Beach, Fla.

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gating whether Zhang is a spy.

Zhang was arrested March

30 after Secret Service agents said she lied to gain admission to the president's

Palm Beach resort and was found to be carrying two Chinese passports, four cellphones, a laptop computer, an external hard drive and a thumb drive containing the malware.

Matthewman adjourned the hearing until next Monday as Zhang's public defender said he's still gathering evidence that could justify her release on bail on charges of lying to federal agents and illegal entry to a restricted area. Garcia said he expects Zhang will be indicted by a federal grand jury this week on those charges.

He said Zhang would be a "serious risk of flight" if she were released while awaiting trial, as she has no ties to the United States. The State Department revoked her visa last week, he said, so even if released on bond, she would be detained by immigration officials. She arrived in the U.S. on a flight from Shanghai to Newark, New Jersey, two days before her arrest.

Zhang sat quietly at the defense table during the two-hour hearing, scribbling notes in Chinese characters as she listened to a translator through headphones. She wore a blue jail jumpsuit and her wrists were shackled.

"She lies to everyone she encounters," Garcia told the judge. He said that not only did Zhang falsely tell a Secret Service agent at a Mar-a-Lago checkpoint that she was a member there to use the pool, even though she had no swimsuit, she told agents she was carrying her computer gear because she was afraid the items would be stolen if she left them in her hotel room.

But when agents searched it, they found \$7,620 in U.S. currency, another \$663

worth of Chinese currency, numerous U.S. credit and debit cards, the device used to find hidden electronics and other computer gear, he said.

Secret Service agent Samuel Ivanovich told the judge that when an agency analyst uploaded the malware found on Zhang's thumb drive, it immediately began installing on the analyst's computer and corrupting its files.

"That was something that had never happened before," Ivanovich told the judge. He said the analyst immediately shut down the computer to protect it. He said the malware's ultimate purpose remains unknown. When agents analyze suspicious devices that might contain malicious software, it is done in a controlled environment and not performed on a computer connected to any government networks, according to Secret Service officials. While questioning Ivanovich, public defender Robert Adler presented Zhang as not fluent in English and suggested she may not have been lying, but misunderstanding agents' questions. He pointed out that Zhang made no attempt to hide her electronic gear while entering Mar-a-Lago and agreed to be interviewed for almost nine hours.

Adler asked that the hearing be adjourned as he believes he can present evidence next week that would justify her release on bail while assuring she wouldn't flee.

Zhang's arrest has raised questions about Mar-a-Lago's security during the president's visits. There's no evidence Zhang ever approached the president and it is believed he was at his nearby golf course when she arrived. □



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In many states, legalizing sports betting hinges on tribes

By STEVE KARNOWSKI and
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ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Native American tribes have emerged as key players in the legislative debates over whether states should legalize sports betting, with some opposing the idea because it could threaten their casinos and others supporting legalization only if they retain a monopoly. In many states, tribes are fighting sports betting or taking a go-slow approach because they worry it might force them to reopen decades-old agreements that give them exclusive rights to operate casinos and offer certain forms of gambling.

"The tribes have a major-league seat at the table," said Bill Pascrell III, a lobbyist for gambling interests seeking legalized sports betting across the country. Six states have joined Nevada in allowing sports gambling since a U.S. Supreme Court ruling last year opened the door to its expansion. Legalization is being considered in more than 20 others.

In Minnesota, a bill seeking to legalize sports betting cleared its first hurdle earlier this year, passing a committee in the state Senate. But that's likely to be as far as the measure goes, in large part because the state's politically potent tribes oppose it.

Gambling "is the only successful economic development tool the tribes have ever had," John McCarthy, executive director of the Minnesota Indian Gaming

Association, told the committee.

The tribes, which operate 21 casinos and have given millions in campaign donations, are especially concerned about allowing sports betting on mobile devices, which they fear could invite wider internet gambling that could threaten their casinos.

In Texas, the only sports betting bill is almost certain to die. It was introduced by a Democrat, the minority party, in a state where casino operators from neighboring Oklahoma and Louisiana have donated millions to keep gambling out. Two Oklahoma tribes, the Chickasaw and Choctaw nations, have given more than \$5 million to Texas officeholders and candidates since 2006.

Sports betting measures introduced in Arizona and Washington state are also considered longshots, mostly because of tribal ambivalence or opposition. In some states where tribal gambling is prevalent, sports betting bills have not been introduced at all. That's the case in Oklahoma, as well as California and Florida, which are home to politically influential tribes that have been cool to the idea.

But elsewhere, casino-operating tribes are the ones leading the legalization efforts.

The Mohegan and Mashantucket Pequot tribes have exclusive rights to casino gambling in Connecticut and are working with the governor's office to add sportsbooks.



In this March 19, 2019, photo video screens display the types of bets that can be placed at the Golden 1 Center's Skyloft Predictive Gaming Lounge, in Sacramento, Calif. In some states, including California, allowing sports betting would probably require a constitutional amendment.

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Two tribal casinos in New Mexico began running sportsbooks after the Supreme Court decision, even though the tribes never received explicit permission from the state.

In North Carolina, a bill pushed by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians would allow the tribe to offer betting on sports and horse races at its casino near Great Smoky Mountains National Park, without forcing it to make any substantial concessions.

Conservative religious groups have warned about the dangers of more gambling, but the legislation has so far sailed through committees in the state Senate. The tribe is one of the state's top political contributors.

The bill's sponsor, Republican Sen. Jim Davis, lauded the tribe for bringing jobs to an otherwise distressed

portion of western North Carolina.

"They've been incredibly good stewards of the revenue, and it's transforming that community," he said. Like other powerful interest groups, tribes ensure they have access to lawmakers and governors through political contributions. Tribal governments have contributed more than \$114 million to state-level candidates and political committees over the past decade, according to an Associated Press analysis of data compiled by the National Institute on Money in Politics.

In some states, including California, allowing sports betting would probably require a constitutional amendment. That and tribal reluctance means the NBA's Sacramento Kings will have to wait longer, perhaps indefinitely, to allow gambling in a suite the

team dedicated for that purpose inside the Golden 1 Center arena.

Arizona is the rare example of a state where tribes are the key players in the legalization debate but are on opposite sides.

The Navajo Nation is pushing for a measure that would give tribes the exclusive right to operate sports betting off their reservations in exchange for sharing winnings with the state. Tribes could put betting kiosks in non-tribal bars and private clubs.

But other Arizona tribes oppose the legislation, saying it could hurt existing casinos on reservations.

Lawmakers in many states are not eager to push the issue without support from tribes, said Hilary Tompkins, a former solicitor with the Department of the Interior, which oversees the Bureau of Indian Affairs. □

'Necessity': Those in U.S. illegally push for license to drive

By **CLAUDIA TORRENS and MICHAEL HILL**

Associated Press

ALBION, N.Y. (AP) — Dairy farm worker Luis Jiménez gambles every time he drives without a license. Even a minor traffic stop could alert immigration agents that he is in the country illegally and lead to deportation.

But in the wide open spaces of upstate New York's farm country, supermarkets and job sites are often too far away for walking, there's not always somebody around to give you a ride, and catching a city bus or subway just isn't an option.

"Necessity forces us to take a risk," Jiménez said in Spanish as he drove home recently. "We have to work, we have to buy food. Sometimes we get sick and workers like me can't drive to a hospital, can't buy medicine. But I feel I need to take the risk so that my kids and my family can have a better life."

In New York and elsewhere, the idea of extending new privileges to those without legal immigration status has been resisted. But a renewed push across the country to allow them to get driver's licenses resonates strongly among those who make their living in the rural crop fields, dairy farms and fruit orchards where the need for everyday transportation can be the greatest.

Apple orchard worker Eladio Beltran, who is facing deportation after a traffic stop, says licenses also



In this Wednesday, March 20, 2019 photo, Ismael Castellanos feeds calves on the dairy farm where he works, in Bethany, New York.

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could alleviate the constant fear workers like him live under.

"We don't feel safe," Beltran said. "If you are in a vehicle and you see a cop, you know any time he can turn his lights on. And you end up arrested; you end up in Mexico."

Immigrants and their advocates have already gotten access to such licenses in a dozen states including California, Colorado and Illinois, some of them accepting state tax returns as identification. They are now targeting roughly a half-dozen states where they see a friendlier political landscape this year. They include Wisconsin and New Jersey, where Democratic governors succeeded Republicans, and New York, where Democrats now are in total control of the Legislature.

"Now there's a new urgency to really try to get this done, and there is new political opportunity," said Christine Neumann-Ortiz, executive director of Voces de la Frontera, an immigrant advocacy group based in Milwaukee.

The laws could give state-level protection to immigrants who fear more ag-

gressive enforcement by federal immigration agents under the Trump administration. Bolstering those fears is the impending departure, announced over the weekend, of Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen, who had been viewed as resistant to some of the harshest immigration measures supported by Trump and his aides.

Advocates say police would still be able to view drivers' past infractions, but they say immigrants producing a valid license will be less likely to face further questions and contact with federal agents.

In New York, farmworkers make up only about 10,000 of the estimated 265,000 immigrants without legal documents expected to get driver's licenses, according to the Fiscal Policy Institute. But they might get the most use out of licenses. Ismael Castellanos is driven a mile daily from the home he shares with four other immigrant workers to the dairy farm where he cares for calves. Trips for a carton of milk or a dozen eggs can be more problematic, and pricey. The nearest grocery store is 8 miles away, and he pays people with cars

between \$30 and \$40 per trip.

"You have to call the person and ask which afternoon he has off so he can drive you, so you do grocery shopping that day," Castellanos said in Spanish. Castellanos, Beltran and Jiménez spoke to The Associated Press on the condition that names of the farms where they work are not disclosed. They are part of a group called Alianza Agrícola, which is lobbying for the license law in New York. It's unclear whether attitudes have changed much in New York since 2007, when then-Gov. Eliot Spitzer attempted to adopt such a license measure but was forced to back off amid withering political opposition. A poll from Siena College last month found New York residents still opposing the idea by almost 2 to 1.

State Sen. Daphne Jordan argues the law would lead to voter fraud, bank fraud and identity theft. The Albany-area Republican said an online petition she started found similarly strong opposition.

"If they want to stay here, then they should become citizens," Jordan said. "We

have a system in our country. And it's there for a reason. And so just follow the system and be here legally, and that's the answer to all of it."

Advocates say the bill will help the state, as well as immigrants, thanks in part to additional revenue from car registrations and sales taxes. As immigrants register cars, they will buy insurance. They also point to a study that found states with license laws average lower traffic fatality rates, presumably because the immigrant drivers have passed state-administered driving exams.

"Not only does it protect the undocumented immigrant farmer who is harvesting our products, our agricultural products, but it protects society as a whole," said sponsoring state Sen. Luis Sepulveda, a Bronx Democrat.

Beltran said he faced possible deportation after being stopped for speeding in 2014 as he was driving to buy bronchitis medicine for one of his daughters. The local police notified Immigration and Customs Enforcement, which said it administratively halted his immigration proceedings in 2016 on humanitarian grounds.

Then in 2017, local police stopped him for driving the wrong way down a one-way street, according to federal officials. Beltran said he was driving to a gas station in an unfamiliar town. Police called Customs and Border Patrol officers, who arrested Beltran because of his reentry after a 2008 deportation. His immigration case was reopened, leading to a hearing in Buffalo next month.

The 32-year-old father of four continues to work, but the hearing is on his mind. On a recent cool spring morning, he trimmed a neat row of apple trees, knowing he might not see them bear fruit. "I am working today but days go by fast. Will I go back to my family after entering immigration court?" he said. "If I get deported, when will I see them again?" □





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Actress Allison Mack leaves Brooklyn federal court Monday, April 8, 2019, in New York. Actress Allison Mack leaves Brooklyn federal court Monday, April 8, 2019, in New York.

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'Smallville' actress pleads guilty in sex-trafficking case

NEW YORK (AP) — TV actress Allison Mack pleaded guilty Monday to charges she was involved in a scheme to turn women into sex slaves for the spiritual leader of a cult-like upstate New York group, a development that came on the same day jury selection began for a federal trial in the case.

Mack, 36, wept as she admitted her crimes and apologized to the women who prosecutors say were exploited by Keith Raniere and the purported self-help group called NXIVM.

"I believed Keith Raniere's intentions were to help people, and I was wrong," Mack told a Brooklyn judge. Mack - best known for her role as a young Superman's close friend on the series "Smallville" - said that after months of reflection since her arrest, "I know I can and will be a better person."

The actress is to be sentenced Sept. 11 on two racketeering counts that each carry maximum terms of 20 years in prison. However, it's likely she would

face far less time under sentencing guidelines.

The plea means Mack will avoid going to trial with Raniere, wealthy heiress Clare Bronfman and another member of Raniere's inner circle, Kathy Russell. All have pleaded not guilty and denied any wrongdoing.

About two hours after Mack's guilty plea, potential jurors got their first glimpse of the jailed Raniere at a proceeding where they were instructed on questionnaires to be filled out as a first step in the selection process. Opening statements are scheduled for April 29 for a trial that is expected to last up to six weeks.

The question of who would be seated at the defense table that day had remained unanswered in the wake of new allegations that Raniere exploited a teenage girl. The accusations gave his co-defendants even further incentive to seek separate trials and engage in plea negotiations. □



This March 7, 2019, file photo, shows the Glen Mills Schools in Glen Mills, Pa.

Associated Press

Oldest U.S. reform school's license revoked over abuse claims

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The nation's oldest reform school had its licenses revoked Monday amid an investigation into allegations of child abuse at the suburban Philadelphia campus, and a spokeswoman said the school will appeal.

The decision follows an investigation published this year by The Philadelphia Inquirer that detailed decades of alleged abuse and cover-ups at the 193-year-old Glen Mills Schools.

The Department of Human Services announced that all 14 licenses issued to Glen Mills were revoked "following documented instances of abuse against former students of the residential school." The department also cited "gross incompetence, negligence and misconduct in operating the facility."

No students remained Monday after the state last month ordered their removal, Glen Mills spokeswoman

Aimee Tysarczyk said in an emailed statement. Some business operations, including community programs and a golf course, remain running.

The school will appeal, she said.

"In the past 18 months alone, Glen Mills Schools has been formally visited, inspected and reviewed more than 150 times by different outside entities, including numerous states and counties," she wrote. "The issues PA DHS inspectors discovered were trivial and they found no signs of long-standing physical abuse, per their own documentation. We are stunned that PA DHS is taking this action based on media reports as opposed to looking at the results of their own inspections."

The school has 10 days to appeal the license revocation.

The Inquirer investigation published in February described a culture of physi-

cal abuse at the school and alleged that school leaders turned a blind eye to beatings and failed to vet or train counselors.

The allegations included severe beatings for students who made minor infractions, a staffer breaking a boy's jaw after the student made a joke about his sister, and other boys getting choked for running away. Broken bones, serious bruises and threats warning students not to talk were detailed.

In the past five years, at least 13 staffers at Glen Mills have been fired and dozens more have been retrained or reprimanded over assaults on 15 students at the school, the newspaper reported. Glen Mills last week announced layoffs of about 250 staff members following the state's order that remaining students be removed from the Delaware County campus about 25 miles (40 kilometers) west of Philadelphia. □

Euroskeptic, populist parties form alliance in Europe

MILAN (AP) — Euroskeptic populist parties formed a new and expanded right-wing alliance on Monday that aims to become the strongest faction in the European Parliament and seeks to radically transform European Union policies on migration, security, family and environment. Italy's hard-line interior minister, Matteo Salvini, leader of the anti-migrant League party, told a news conference in Milan that the goal of the new movement in the EU-wide elections next month was to "win and change Europe."

He was joined by representatives of populist parties from Germany, Finland and Denmark.

At the top of their common agenda, the right-wing euroskeptics demanded a halt to all illegal migration, stronger European borders, restoring political sovereignty to EU nations and protecting what they called "European culture."

Salvini rejected any char-



From left, Olli Kotro, leader of The Finns Party, Jörg Meuthen, leader of Alternative For Germany party, Matteo Salvini, Italian deputy-Premier and leader of the League party, and Anders Vistisen, leader of the Danish People's Party, join hands prior to the start of a press conference, in Milan, Monday, April 8, 2019.

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acterizations that the movement, which includes far-right parties, is made up of political extremists flirting with Europe's totalitarian history.

"Today at this table there are no nostalgic extremists," Salvini said. "The only nostalgics are in power in

Brussels. Today, we look ahead with a clear memory of what happened in the past, but the tired debate of right, left, fascist, communist, is not what makes us passionate."

Political experts say the May 23-26 European Parliament vote could prove

to be a tipping point in post-war European politics, if traditional political powerhouses lose support and extremist, populist parties gain more clout.

The vote, which involves 705 seats this year, is run as national ballots in each of the bloc's states. National

political parties with common ideology then unite in EU-wide groups, like the center-right EPP, the center-left S&D Socialists or the liberal, pro-business ALDE.

The new euroskeptic alliance, launched under the banner "Toward a Europe of common sense," expands on the parliament's four-year-old Europe of Nations and Freedom Group (ENF), which already includes France's far-right National Rally, Austria's Freedom Party and the Netherlands Party for Freedom.

Salvini was joined Monday by the far-right Alternative for Germany's co-leader Joerg Meuthen, Olli Kotro of the euroskeptic populist party The Finns, and Anders Vistisen of the right-wing, populist Danish People's Party. Those parties now come from other parliamentary groups, the European Conservatives and Reformists (ECR) and the Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy (EFDD). □

Young German activists demand earlier coal-burning deadline

By **FRANK JORDANS**
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BERLIN (AP) — Young German activists who have staged weekly "school strikes" to bring attention to climate change issued demands Monday that would require Germany's government to adopt measures far more ambitious than current plans for curbing greenhouse gas emissions. The six key actions listed by Fridays For Future, the group that organized the strikes by secondary school and university students, include moving forward the timeline for Germany to phase-out coal-fired power plants.

A government-appointed expert panel recently agreed that coal burning should end by 2038. The student group said it instead wants one-quarter of coal-fired power stations switched off this year and the rest by 2030.

The group also said Germany should generate all of



Young protestors march with a sign reading 'We will go to school if you keep the climate cool!' during a climate strike of school students as part of the Fridays for Future movement in the city center of Duisburg, Friday, April 5, 2019.

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its energy from renewable sources and cut net greenhouse gas emissions to zero by 2035; end billions of euros worth of annual fossil fuel subsidies; and introduce a carbon tax of 180 euros (\$202.19) per metric ton.

"We'd prefer not to issue any demands and simply leave

it to the adults," Fridays for Future representative Linus Steinmetz said. "But in the last months we've seen it's not enough to let adults get on with it."

Speaking to reporters while standing in front of dinosaur fossils at Berlin's Natural History Museum, group members said they chose the

backdrop to illustrate the consequences of inaction on climate change.









Germany has been a vocal supporter of the 2015 Paris climate accord's most ambitious goal of capping global temperature rises at 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 F) compared to pre-industrial times by the end of the century. Thousands of scientists have publicly backed the student protests, saying Germany can't reach the goal with current policies.

"We're simply demanding that the goals of the Paris Agreement and the 1.5-degree target are adhered to," Sana Strahinjc, another Fridays For Future member, said.

Germany has a special responsibility to act compared to poorer countries, Strahinjc added. The heavily industrialized country has been emitting large amounts of greenhouse gases for more than a century and its per capita emis-

sions are still several times those of developing nations, she said.

The group's demands are unlikely to find favor with German businesses, which already are wary of the rising cost of energy. And politicians worry about provoking citizens given how public anger over fuel tax hikes led to protests in France that notched their 21st consecutive week Saturday. Still, the student protests, inspired by Swedish teenage activist Greta Thunberg, have also caught the attention of leaders in Germany and elsewhere. Last month, hundreds of thousands around the world skipped school to call for climate action. Andreas Kuebler, a spokesman for Germany's Environment Ministry, declined to comment directly on the protesters' demands, but said the government was focused on implementing the coal panel's recommendations. □

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Polish teachers go on indefinite strike at student exam time

By **MONIKA SCISLOWSKA**
WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Teachers in Poland went on an indefinite nationwide strike over pay Monday after the government failed to meet union demands during days of negotiations. The strike by teachers of kindergarten all the way up through the final year of high school is the first such widespread work stoppage in Poland's classrooms since 1993, when graduation exams had to be canceled at many schools. The latest strike also comes at a crucial time for students: days before end-of-year tests in primary and middle schools and weeks

ahead of this year's high school matriculation exams. Warsaw officials said about 80% of the city's schools were closed Monday. Preliminary figures from other regions showed that up to 90% of schools were affected in some areas. The Polish Education Ministry said 48.5% of schools nationwide were on strike at noon. Poland has almost 400,000 teachers and some 4.5 million students. The teachers were partly spurred into action by anger that the conservative ruling party, as part of its campaign strategy for next month's European Parlia-



People talk through a fence near a banner, declaring the participation at the indefinite nationwide teachers' pay strike, at the Primary School number 68 in Warsaw, Poland, on Monday, April 8, 2019.

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ment elections, has offered various financial boosts to families, businesses and to farmers for their pigs and

cows, but not to chronically underpaid educators. "In the past two weeks, money has been found for everyone, not only for humans, but there is no money for the teachers," Slawomir Wittkowitz, head of the teachers' Trade Unions Forum, said. President Andrzej Duda, whose wife taught high school German before she became Poland's first lady, expressed solidarity with the striking teachers, saying they should be properly compensated for their hard work. But Duda also appealed to them to be realistic with their demands and to allow the scheduled exams to be given. □

French PM calls for quick tax cuts to appease protesters

PARIS (AP) — France's prime minister has called for quick tax cuts to respond to the anger expressed through yellow vest protests across the country. Edouard Philippe on Monday unveiled the results of a three-month "big debate" launched by President Emmanuel Macron in response to the demonstrations, giving ordinary people the chance to express their views on France's economy and democracy. Philippe says "the debate clearly indicates the direc-

tion: we must cut taxes and cut them more quickly." At the same time, however, he said the government will have to cut public spending. Philippe listed as other major topics the demand for more public services, new democratic ways to influence political decisions and fighting climate change without raising taxes to do it. He called for "radical" changes but didn't provide details. Macron is expected to un-

veil a series of economic measures next week. The yellow vest movement, prompted by a fuel tax hike in November, has expanded into a broader revolt against Macron's policies, which protesters see as favoring the rich and big businesses. The French government said 1.5 million people have participated in the debate through posts on a website, local meetings and conferences, messages in grievance books placed in town halls and in letters. □



Jerome Rodriguez, center, a prominent figure of the yellow vests movement takes part in a rally in Paris, France, Saturday, April 6, 2019.

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A look at the field: Major players in Israel's elections

By ISABEL DEBRE

JERUSALEM (AP) — It's a crowded field in Israel's elections as over 40 parties will be slugging it out on Tuesday for seats in the country's parliament.

There is the right-wing flagship, centrist newcomers, ultra-Orthodox parties, Arab parties and fringe movements. But only a handful will win the necessary 3.25 percent of total votes cast to cross the electoral threshold needed to enter the Knesset.

Israeli democracy operates on a parliamentary system of proportional-representation in which the government needs a majority to rule. Since no party has ever earned more than 61 of the 120 seats in the Knesset, a coalition is required.

Polls show Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's rightist Likud in fierce competition with the centrist Blue and White party. Both camps are trying to rile up their bases to become the largest party in parliament while also convincing the smaller parties to join them in a coalition after the results become known.

Here's a look at the major players:

LONG-RULING LIKUD

Israel's conservative Likud party has dominated the political stage since 1977 with only a few exceptions, and it has controlled government for the past decade in large part thanks



Blue and White party leader Benny Gantz speaks during an election campaign rally to his supporters in Tel Aviv, Israel, Sunday, April 7, 2019.

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to Netanyahu's personality cult and strong base.

Netanyahu has brazenly allied himself with Israeli settlers and courted nationalist and ultra-Orthodox parties for his current coalition. In past elections, Likud has depended on a groundswell of populist support from Mizrahi, or Middle Eastern, Jews who harbor deep-seated resentment toward Israel's European-descended founding elite and their social democratic brand of politics.

This constituency appears poised to support Netanyahu again, despite the attorney general's intention to indict him on three serious

corruption charges.

If Netanyahu wins another term, he will be on track to become the longest serving leader in Israeli history. He'll also have to simultaneously lead the state while fighting criminal charges against him.

THE CENTRIST VANGUARD

Ex-army chief Benny Gantz shook up the scene when he announced the formation of a new party earlier this year, and several weeks later, when he formed a partnership with centrist politician and former television host Yair Lapid, head of the centrist Yesh Atid. Their joint Blue and White

list presents the first viable challenge to Netanyahu's long rule.

If elected, Gantz would lead the government for the first two and a half years with Lapid taking over for the rest of the term.

The new coalition of centrists and former military officers has sought to mobilize a united front to oust the scandal-plagued Netanyahu, carrying the mantle of clean government, economic reform and respect for Israel's state institutions. Gantz and his slate talk tough about standing up to Iran and striking Palestinian militants to appeal to hardliners but have also hinted

they won't foreclose future peace negotiations.

Although Blue and White has inched ahead of Likud in some polls, the party may find it more difficult to recruit suitable coalition partners.

THE NEW RIGHT

A pair of nationalist ministers, Naftali Bennett and Ayelet Shaked, ditched their religious Jewish Home party and formed the "New Right" to attract a broader range of secular but still staunchly pro-settler voters. They've promised to join Likud's coalition, along with a handful of other right-wing and religious parties, but their sudden maneuver hints that their political aspirations may extend beyond Netanyahu's corruption-stained rule.

Bennett, often the first to slam Netanyahu for his failure to deter Gaza rockets, is jostling for the position of defense minister.

As justice minister, Shaked has clashed with the Supreme Court, which she views as a bastion of the Israeli left that unfairly curtails her party's nationalistic agenda.

Their sardonic campaign ads have stirred online debate, including one that features Shaked spritzing herself with a faux perfume called "Fascism."

THE OLD LEFT

The venerable Labor party, once Israel's largest faction that founded the state and promoted a statehood deal with the Palestinians, has languished under decades of Likud rule and an impasse in the peace process. It now appears overtaken by Blue and White and can only hope to join a coalition led by the new front-runner of the center-left bloc.

The liberal Zionist Union party dramatically split early this year after Labor leader Avi Gabbay announced the end of his party's union with former Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni, embarrassing her on live television. Livni subsequently bowed out of politics, ending her storied 20-year career.

Pakistan hands over 100 Indian fishermen in goodwill gesture

LAHORE, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani authorities have handed over 100 detained Indian fishermen to their country's officials at the Wahga border crossing. This is the first batch of a total 360 fishermen set for release this month.

The transfer on Monday comes as a goodwill gesture aiming to defuse tensions between the two nuclear-armed South Asian neighbors. The fishermen were released Sunday in

Karachi and escorted to the eastern city of Lahore. Pakistan and India frequently arrest each other's fishermen on charges of illegal fishing in their territorial waters. They often languish in detention until such goodwill gestures are shown from either side.

Tensions between the two nations flared in February after a suicide bombing in the Indian-controlled part of Kashmir killed more than 40 Indian soldiers.



Released Indian fishermen leave the Lahore railway station on way to their homeland, in Pakistan, Monday, April 8, 2019.

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Korean Air boss dies weeks after board removal over scandals

By KIM TONG-HYUNG

Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)

— Korean Air's chairman, whose leadership included scandals such as his daughter's infamous incident of "nut rage," has died due to illness, the company said Monday.

Cho Yang-ho had been indicted on multiple charges, including embezzlement and tax evasion, and his death came two weeks after shareholders voted to remove the 70-year-old from the company's board over a series of scandals surrounding his family. Cho's death will likely force a court to dismiss his criminal case.

The company said in a statement that Cho died at a hospital in Los Angeles but did not specify his illness or provide other details.

Cho had remained chairman, which is a non-board role, even after shareholders ousted him from the board. He had expressed his intent to continue participating in management. A senior Korean Air executive said Cho had been receiving treatment for an unspecified lung illness since late last year and that his condition "worsened rapidly" following the shareholder vote, apparently because of shock and stress. The executive didn't want to be named, citing office rules.

Korean Air's corporate flag and the South Korean flag were flown half-staff at the company's headquarters in downtown Seoul.

Cho's eldest daughter, Cho Hyun-ah, who was formerly the head of the airline's cabin service, received



In this July 5, 2018 file photo, Cho Yang-ho, the chairman of Korean Air Lines Co., arrives for hearing to review the prosecution's request for an arrest warrant on charge of embezzlement at the Seoul Southern District Court in Seoul, South Korea.

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worldwide notoriety in 2014 after she ordered a Korean Air passenger plane to return to a terminal at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York because she was angry that the crew served her macadamia nuts in a bag instead of on a plate.

The incident, dubbed "nut rage," generated international headlines and severely tarnished the Cho family's image, while highlighting broader concerns about the sense of entitlement among the moneyed elite in South Korea.

Cho Hyun-ah was sentenced to one year in prison for violating aviation law but was released early when a higher-level court suspended the sentence.

The Cho family also faced intense criticism after company employees alleged

they were subjected to mistreatment and tantrums.

Cho's wife was summoned last May by South Korean police to question her about allegations that she abused and assaulted employees. Lee Myung-hee was accused of physically or verbally abusing more than 10 former and current employees of Korean Air's parent company.

Cho's younger daughter, Cho Hyun-min, also was investigated by state prosecutors for potential assault for allegedly hurling a cup of water during a business meeting. No charges were filed.

Before his reputation was hit by scandals, Cho Yang-ho, who led Korean Air since 1992, had been credited for overseeing the company's growth into one of Asia's biggest airlines. Ko-

rean Air, which began in 1969 with eight planes, now operates 166 aircraft with international flights to 111 cities in 43 countries.

Cho was also the chairman of the Hanjin Group, a global transportation conglomerate of dozens of companies that includes the airline. He was also was the co-chairman of the Korea-U.S. Business Council and vice chairman of the Federation of Korean Industries.

He was involved in the bidding process and preparations for the 2018 Winter Olympics held in South Korea's ski resort town of Pyeongchang and headed the Olympic organizing committee for two years before stepping down in 2016.

Cho's resignation was initially described as volun-

tary, but he later said he left the committee under "unjust" pressure from the government of former conservative President Park Geun-hye. The committee had rejected an Olympic construction deal for a Swiss company that reportedly had a business partnership with Choi Soon-sil, a longtime friend and mentor of Park.

Park is now serving a lengthy prison term over multiple corruption charges.

South Korean prosecutors indicted Cho last October on multiple charges, including evading taxes and pocketing tens of millions of dollars through embezzlement and breach of trust. His trial had been expected to begin in the coming weeks.

Cho was previously convicted of tax evasion in 2000, facing charges with his father and brother. The Chos were charged with receiving millions in rebates when they purchased airplanes from Boeing and Airbus and evading taxes on the money. The tax probe came after the country's president criticized Korean Air's poor safety record.

The Cho family scandals have increased public criticism about South Korea's "chaebol," a privileged group of family-owned conglomerates that have been tied to corruption and exploitive behavior.

Korean Air shareholders' successful removal of Cho from the company's board was seen as a milestone in a country that has been long criticized for its lax enforcement of corporate-governance rules on large companies. □

UNICEF: Venezuelan children on the move need help

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)

— Across Colombia's capital, Venezuelan children, including infants, spend hours at busy intersections while their migrant parents sell candy or ask motorists for a few coins to get through another day after fleeing their homeland in search of a better life.

The impact of Venezuela's devastating economic, social and political problems has rippled across Latin America and the Caribbean in recent years as more than 3 million people left the country. As is the case in humanitarian emergencies around the world, it is the children who are most vulnerable.

About 1.1 million children will need access to services such as education, sanitation and safe drinking water across the region this year because of the Venezuelan migrant crisis, UNICEF says in a new report. The U.N. children's agency said the projected figure



Holding her baby, Venezuelan migrant Jenifer Salas, 27, waits for traffic to come to a standstill so she can ask drivers for spare change in Bogotá, Colombia, Monday, April 8, 2019.

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is more than double the number of children who need such help right now, and it expressed concern about reports of discrimination and violence against Venezuelan children and

families.

"Some migrants — including unaccompanied and separated children, pregnant women, nursing mothers as well as indigenous people — are at increased risk,"

UNICEF said in an appeal to governments to uphold the rights of children, including migrants and refugees.

On Thursday, about 20 Venezuelan babies and children were with parents

scrounging for handouts from passing vehicles at an intersection in Bogotá. Mothers carried their babies. The youngest child was six days old, the oldest was 6 years old. Toddlers played with toys or ate candy, seemingly oblivious to the roar of traffic around them. Some motorists rolled down their windows to give out a few coins.

One of the migrants, Wilfran Garrido, 22, said he had worked at a hotel in Venezuela's Carabobo state but left the country because of the deteriorating economic situation that made it hard to feed his family. He said he arrived in Bogotá last year and was able to find a school for his 4-year-old son and a kindergarten for his 2-year-old. He and his wife also have an infant 4 months old.

"I hope the future is better for my three children, because there is no future in Venezuela," said a tearful Garrido. □

Brazil army arrests soldiers after family car shooting

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP)

— Ten members of Brazil's military were under arrest Monday after soldiers fired 80 shots at a car carrying a family, killing a 46-year-old man and stirring outrage in the country.

Evaldo dos Santos Rosa was driving Sunday to a baby shower with his 7-year-old son, his wife, her stepfather and another woman when soldiers started shooting at them, according to relatives. The stepfather and a passerby who was trying to help were injured but the rest of the family was unharmed.

The military initially said in a statement that the soldiers had responded to gunfire from attackers. But police said no arms were found in the car and the military eventually changed its statement.

"All evidence point to a homicide," police investigator Leonardo Salgado told TV news Globo after inspecting the site.

On Monday, the military said soldiers patrolling the



Residents gather to watch the death scene investigation where Evaldo dos Santos Rosa, the driver of a family car, was killed by armed forces, in the Guadalupe neighborhood, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Sunday, April 7, 2019.

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area mistook Dos Santos Rosa's car for that of criminals.

"Due to inconsistencies between the facts initially reported and other information later received by the

eastern military command, we determined the immediate removal of the military (members) involved," the armed forces said in statement. Ten of the 12 men questioned by investi-

gators were under arrest.

Luciana Dos Santos, the victim's wife, went to the morgue Monday to identify her husband's body. In tears, shock, Dos Santos told reporters her 7-year-

old thought his father was still alive.

"My God, why did the (soldiers) do this?" Dos Santos said, almost struggling to breathe. "Murderers, that's what they are," said Dos Santos' sister Deborah outside the forensic institute. "It's like the governor said: Kill first and then see. And that's what they did: First they killed and then they went to see that it was a father, that there was a family inside, that there was a kid inside." "This can't keep happening. We want justice," the victim's 29-year-old son, Daniel, told The Associated Press in a phone interview. Brazil has the largest number of annual homicides in the world and new President Jair Bolsonaro has vowed to unleash security forces to battle rampant violence. But the armed forces have long been criticized for extra-judicial killings, especially in the state of Rio de Janeiro. In 2018, the police killed 1,534 people in the state, according to government data. □

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KLM Aruba Marathon goes Green

ORANJESTAD — The 2nd edition of the KLM Aruba Marathon, Half Marathon, 10K and 5K will be held on the 2nd of June 2019. The Race is AIMS/ IAAF certified and this road race is organized on the highest International level. This time the race is organized with a green focus as all cups at the water stations are 100% sustainable, biodegradable and renewable. There will be bins located at and after each water station.

The course will be cleaned directly after the race. At the restricted finish area there will be "plastic bottles" for each participant and enough bins available. Aruba's Brenchie's Lap will recycle all collected cups and give this "plastic" a new life. "For the 2nd edition, we expect to welcome between 2,000 and 2,500 participants of which approximately one-third will come from abroad", says the organization. The race is organized on an international level (AIMS/IAAF certified) and because of the various distances, accessible for everybody. Primary goal is to make the running event an unforgettable lifetime experience.

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- "After party on the Beach"
- DRI-Fit Running shirt, Singlet, Pasta Party, personal finish photo & video are optional

In addition to ensuring a festive and sporting atmosphere, the safety of the participants and the public is of course the highest priority. For more information check out the website and Facebook page: KLM Aruba Marathon. □



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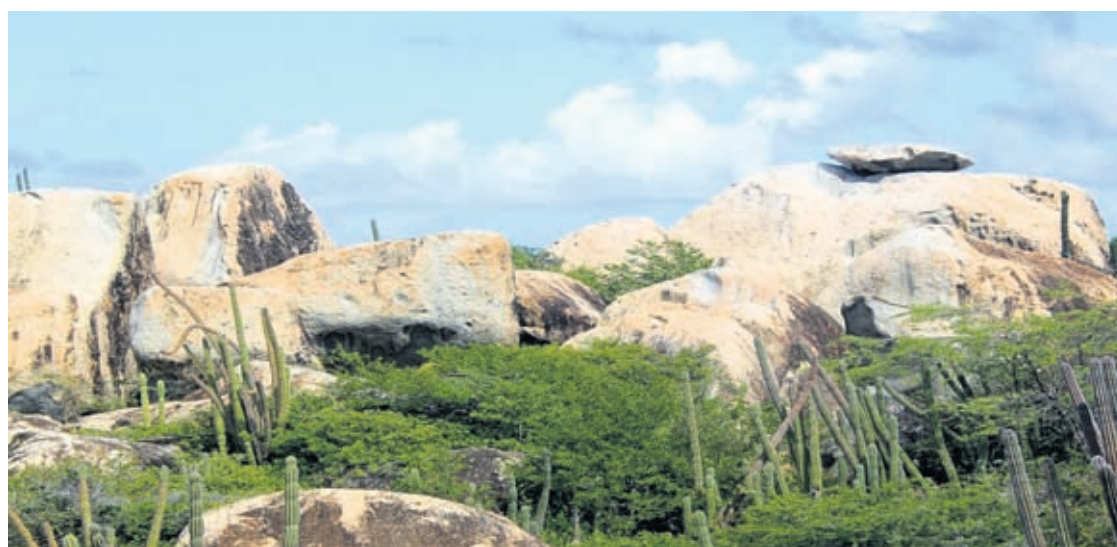


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Episode XIII Islands Rock Art

ORANJESTAD — Hi guys good morning. Together we can all be Aruba's rangers, guardians of our patrimony. Let's create a consciousness that rock Art is our heritage; yes, much more than just meaningless doodles made by our Aruban fore fathers. Contrary to popular belief it was not created by some underdeveloped cannibal inhabitants of mythical epoch, it does not reflect buried treasure maps. Neither were they meant to just scare demons or bad spirits away. What rock Art in general does provide is means of understanding the sacred as well as the mundane perspective of life "in our case" with what prehistoric Amerindian cultures as a community could regionally and specially insularly have experienced by means of rock art expressions and practices relating to it.



Pic. 1 Paraguaná pictograph site

Here we can examine something in great detail in order to understand it better or to discover more about it, windows for analyzing cultural interaction through symbolic patterns.

The pre historic artist had the goal in mind to inform, create beliefs and handing over knowledge among peers. Communication abilities were a valuable in trade and commerce among neighboring tribes like



Pic. 2. Pictograph at Paraguaná

a way of life. Rock art was also a way of telling stories and archiving it for future generation's use. Changes in rock art styles often reflect new ideologies and/or religious practices. The quality of the rock art and the level of sophistication of the culture it belongs to are not necessarily related.

Petroglyphs are less common than Pictographs. Only one site has been discovered and is accessible to public. The incrustations are found on the dark, exposed surfaces of a granite builder at a site known as Siribana (No.2) The top layer or surfaces of the rock served as the base color for the abstract representational of the "Mythical twins" supernatural beings also referred to as alien figures. Abstract figures that were used by hunters and gatherers in the oldest known new world rock Art bear no resemblance to the real world. Pecking into

the rock to create Petroglyphs was accomplished with a hammer stone or stone chisel. Different pecking techniques created different styles. Incising or scratching with a sharp tool was also practiced. Incised designs are more expressive and detailed than pecked designs. Pictographs are usually created on light colored, protected from the elements granite, Quartz Diorite, surfaces or on limestone walls and caves ceilings. Stylized animals, humans and geometric object designs are common subjects. Pictograph pigments and binders were probably obtained from soot, vegetal pigments and blood or pulverized minerals. While even some sea snails could have provided a purple reddish stain. Binders were used to stabilize the coloring material and allow it to stick to the rock. The colors generally used were red, orange, white and black. Red pigment probably came from hematite or iron oxide; orange from a combination of hematite, ocher, limonite, lichen or Brazil wood.

Other sources of pigment included white clay, silica, gypsum, chalk, calcium carbonate, and charcoal. Pastels were created from clay mixed with other minerals. Water was used to create consistency but the binding agent could be anything from saliva, to vegetal juices and vegetal oils, to a mix of water and calcium meal, tree gums, even the whites of bird eggs or guano were employed in many regions of the world. The surface of the rock was sometimes smoothed and abraded in preparation for painting.

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Pic. 3. Paraguaná site.

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Tools were sticks or probably brushes made from the tips of agave leaves chewed or beaten to remove the pulp, leaving vertical fibers for painting small solid areas, clear lines, and other fine details. Wider areas could be painted for example with a corn husk or cotton wrapped around the finger or even the finger itself depending on the time frame which these were made. Dots were applied with the fingertips. Entire hand prints could have been created using for example a stenciled design by spraying or blowing the paint around the hand that has been placed with spread fingers on the surface of the rock.

The official Native rock artist was often a mystical Medicine Man, herb mixer, the color maker but most probably because of his power to heal and communicate with the supernatural. A continuation of the early shaman, endemic believe to most tribal societies, most likely survived from before the migrations across the Bering Street over twenty thousand years ago.

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for years already successful Casa Tua restaurants. They know their dance well, but this time they lift it to a different level.

From 8 PM tomorrow night Spanish Paella and much more is on the menu, of course with pairing wines. The beautiful garden of Bohemian will be filled with lights, good food and live

music in an intimate, hip and offbeat ambiance. Catchy Rumba Gitana and dramatic Spanish ballads combine with the passionately prepared dishes to tickle your taste buds to the max. Bohemian Restaurant is located on the corner of Barceló Resort in the center of the hi-rise frenzy. Free Parking available at the parking lot in front of Barceló Resort. □

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The Aruba Tourism Authority honor loyal visitors at the Brickell Bay Beach Resort

PALM BEACH — Recently, Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure to honor loyal and friendly visitors of Aruba as Goodwill Ambassadors and Distinguished Visitors at their home away from home.

The honored were:

George & Angela Guden resident of Port Reading New Jersey
 Robert & Kathleen Fox resident of Rutherford New Jersey

The symbolic honorary title is presented on behalf of the Minister of Tourism, as a token of appreciation to the guests who visit Aruba between 10-20-35 and more consecutive years.

Ms. Darline de Cuba thanked them for choosing Aruba as their vacation destination and as their home away from home for so many years together with General Manager Mr. Juan Keyter and Mrs. Marvel Vilchez Sales & Marketing Manager and members of Brickell Bay Beach Resort.

Visitors stated that the main reasons for returning to Aruba with a nice and memorable history: They loved the weather, people of Aruba, and the Sunset. □



SPORTS



In this Aug. 19, 2018, photo, Marko Cheseto, a college All-American who lost both feet to frostbite after being stranded outside in an Alaskan blizzard in 2011, competes in the Skinny Raven Half Marathon during the Anchorage RunFest in Anchorage, Alaska.

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Boston Marathon to add para athlete divisions in 2020

By JIMMY GOLEN
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON (AP) — When Marko Cheseto lines up in Hopkinton for the start of the Boston Marathon next week, he will already be looking past the finish line, 26.2 miles away. It's next year, when organizers will christen three new para athlete divisions, that he will have a chance to claim something he covets even more than a new personal best: a full-fledged Boston Marathon victory, and the possibility of climbing the podium on his two prosthetic legs just steps away from the spot where so many lost their limbs in the 2013 finish line attacks.

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BEST of THREES

**Rockets set NBA record with
27 3s in 149-113 rout of Suns**

Houston Rockets guard Eric Gordon (10) shoots a 3-pointer as Phoenix Suns forward Josh Jackson (20) defends during the second half of an NBA basketball game Sunday, April 7, 2019, in Houston.

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Jin Young Ko wins ANA Inspiration for first major title

By JOHN NICHOLSON

AP Sports Writer

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif.

(AP) — Jin Young Ko won the ANA Inspiration for her first major title, celebrated with the traditional winner's leap into Poppie's Pond and will jump to No. 1 in the world ranking.

The woman who said this year that her goal was to be the happiest player on the course was thrilled about the first two.

"I still can't believe," Ko said. "I'm really happy."

She wasn't all that excited about the No. 1 spot in the world.

"I just try to focus on my game on the course," Ko said. "It doesn't matter about world ranking. I don't like numbers like No. 1 or No. 2. I'm just playing on the course."

She did that better than anyone else over four days on the Mission Hills course made more difficult by thicker rough, tighter fairways and some longer holes. On Sunday, the 23-year-old South Korean



Jin Young Ko, center, of South Korea, leaps into the pond with caddie, David Brooker, left, and her agent Soo Jin Choi, right, after winning the LPGA Tour ANA Inspiration golf tournament at Mission Hills Country Club in Rancho Mirage, Calif., Sunday, April 7, 2019.

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closed with a 2-under 70 in hot and mostly calm conditions for a three-stroke victory over Mi Hyang Lee.

"If ball goes right or left it doesn't make me happy, but I'm still trying to be happy," Ko said. "Also, I really try, don't think about future, doesn't matter. Just

focus on my swing, on the putting. That's why I win this week."

After bogeys on 13 and 15 cut her lead to a stroke, Ko made a 6-foot birdie putt on the par-4 16th and closed with a 15-foot birdie putt on the par-5 18th. She also had a rough back-

nine stretch Saturday, allowing In-Kyung Kim to cut a five-stroke deficit to a single shot going into the final round.

"Yesterday was a little bit hard for me," Ko said. "I'm not robot. We are human." Ko won for the fourth time on the LPGA Tour, complet-

ing a desert sweep after taking the Founders Cup two weeks ago in Phoenix. She leads the money list and has five top-three finishes in six events this year. Is she surprised by her start? "No, no, no," Ko said. "I had really hard practice in winter training offseason in Palm Springs."

Ko gave caddie David Brooker his third victory in the event. The Englishman also leaped into Poppie's Pond with Grace Park in 2004 and Lorena Ochoa in 2008.

"He knows this course," Ko said. "He helps me all the time on the course. So really say thank you for my caddie."

She finished at 10-under 278.

Lee parred the final six holes in a 70.

"This is really good momentum for me," said Lee, also from South Korea. "I'm so happy with this week."

Ko had a three-stroke lead at the turn and faced little pressure until stumbling with the two bogeys. □

WNBA rebrands with new logo, eyes next generation of fans

By DOUG FEINBERG

FILE - In this Sept. 4, 2018, file photo, Seattle Storm's Breanna Stewart, right, is embraced by Sue Bird after the Storm defeated the Phoenix Mercury 94-84 during Game 5 of a WNBA basketball playoff semifinal, in Seattle. The WNBA's 23rd season begins May 24, with the Seattle Storm the defending champion. (AP Photo/Elaine Thompson, File)

NEW YORK (AP) — The WNBA's logo is getting a new look and the league is re-setting its brand for the upcoming season.

The league unveiled its plans Monday, intent on embracing the optimism of the women across the WNBA in building the next generation of fans.

"We are excited about all of it," WNBA chief operating officer Christy Hedgpeth said by phone last week. "It starts with our purpose, which is to expand



In this Sept. 4, 2018, file photo, Seattle Storm's Breanna Stewart, right, is embraced by Sue Bird after the Storm defeated the Phoenix Mercury 94-84 during Game 5 of a WNBA basketball playoff semifinal, in Seattle.

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our audience and grow at a faster rate.

"We believe we'll do that by becoming more and more culturally relevant over time. It led us to a new target consumer, new design target that's much, much younger — the 16-to-34 millennials, who are very diverse, very socially conscious, engaged in issues of

today."

The WNBA's 23rd season begins May 24, with the Seattle Storm the defending champion.

The league partnered with Sylvain Labs, an innovation and brand design consultancy last year, to learn more about its existing fans and potential new fans. They developed a long-

term growth strategy and identify new marketing opportunities.

"We've engaged very, very closely throughout this process," Hedgpeth said. "Six months working with Sylvain Labs to develop what the new brand will stand for."

The two groups, along with player input, came up with the league's new logo.

"They took the silhouette out of the box which is a massive breakthrough as she was perceived totally different," Hedgpeth said. "She was free, there was more movement there, taking up more space. She's more athletic, longer physique. This is basketball on our terms. That was a phrase that really resonated with the players. That's really symbolic in that regard."

The new logo is different from others affiliated with the NBA.

"The NBA logo, there's a

rectangle around him, he's in a box. Same with the G-League logo and the previous W-logo. She had a box around her," Hedgpeth said. "The box is going away. It's powerful, it's freeing and it's expansive." It's the first time the league will have a new logo since 2013. While the new logo won't be on the uniforms or balls until next year because of the lack of production time needed to do it, it will be everywhere else around the league.

Hedgpeth insisted that the logo wasn't modeled after one player and that the hair was a huge part of the conversation. The logo has a bun which represents the way many players wear their hair. The league also has a new marquee partner in AT&T. "They are a perfect fit," Hedgpeth said. "They have such a great fit to diversity and inclusion and accurately portraying women in advertising." □

Bucks beat Hawks 115-107 for 60th win

By The Associated Press
MILWAUKEE (AP) — Giannis Antetokounmpo scored 30 points and Khris Middleton added 21 to send Milwaukee to a methodical 115-107 victory over the Atlanta Hawks on Sunday night, giving the Bucks 60 wins in a season for the first time since 1981.

The Bucks, who have clinched the best record in the Eastern Conference, led from the outset as the Hawks rested leading scorers John Collins and Trae Young.

Milwaukee led 85-72 entering the final period, but Atlanta pulled to 101-98 on a drive by DeAndre' Bembry with 3:28 left. Middleton countered with consecutive 3-pointers and Antetokounmpo connected from beyond the arc to put Milwaukee up 110-98.

Alex Len had a career-high 33 points for Atlanta, including six 3-pointers.

WARRIORS 131, CLIPPERS 104

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Soaking in the franchise's nostalgia of yesteryear, Stephen Curry scored 27 points and helped Golden State clinch the Western Conference's top playoff seed with a win in its final regular-season game at Oracle Arena, beating Los Angeles for a fifth straight victory.

Kevin Durant added 16 points and seven assists, making six of seven field goals, as Warriors players opted to honor the past by sporting throwback white "We Believe" jerseys worn during the 2007 playoff run that snapped a 12-year postseason drought.

A banner commemorating 47 years at Oracle was unveiled afterward and it will move across the bay to hang inside new Chase Center in San Francisco where the Warriors will play next season.

Landry Shamet scored 17 points with five 3-pointers for a Clippers team still missing Patrick Beverley because of a right hip pointer.

Los Angeles dropped into a seventh-place tie with San Antonio in the West by losing its third straight. Now, the Clippers play the Jazz in the regular-season finale Wednesday and with various scenarios very well could be returning to Oracle next weekend for Game 1 in the first round of the playoffs.

Draymond Green just missed a triple-double with 10 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists in Golden State's seventh win over the last eight games and fifth in a row at home.

TRAIL BLAZERS 115, NUGGETS 108

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Damian Lillard scored 30 points to lead Portland past a Denver team that rested its top three scorers after securing home-court advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

Al-Farouq Aminu added 23 points and 11 rebounds for Portland, which held onto fourth place in the Western Conference with two games remaining. The win snapped a six-game losing streak to the Nuggets.

Gary Harris had 18 points for Denver, which played without Nikola Jokic, Paul Millsap and Jamal Murray. The Trail Blazers got back CJ McCollum, who was out for 10 games with a left knee injury. Coach Terry Stotts said before the game that his minutes would be restricted, but McCollum played 25 minutes and had nine points.

Champions of the Northwest Division, the Nuggets are assured at least the No. 3 seed in the West and can clinch the second seed with two more wins.

ROCKETS 149, SUNS 113

HOUSTON (AP) — James Harden scored 30 points in just three quarters as Houston broke its NBA record by making 27 3-pointers in a win over Phoenix.

Eric Gordon led the 3-point brigade by tying a career high with eight, Harden added five, P.J. Tucker had four and Danuel House

three.

Gary Clark tied the record with a little over three minutes to play and Houston missed the next four before Austin Rivers broke it with 1:09 remaining. The Rockets have made 26 twice this season with the last time coming Tuesday at Sacramento.

Jamal Crawford had 27 points off the bench for the Suns with rising stars Devin Booker and Kelly Oubre out for the season with injuries.

NETS 108, PACERS 96

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — D'Angelo Russell scored 20 points and Joe Harris added 19, leading Brooklyn back into the NBA playoffs for the first time in four years.

The Nets moved into position to clinch when Miami lost in overtime at Toronto earlier in the day. It's also the first time since 2014-15 the Nets have not posted a losing record.

Domantas Sabonis finished with 17 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Pacers. Thaddeus Young scored 16 in a game coach Nate McMillan promised to closely monitor the minutes his players logged.

LAKERS 113, JAZZ 109

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kentavious Caldwell-Pope scored 32 points and short-handed Los Angeles snapped Utah's seven-game winning streak.

The Lakers, beset by injuries all season, dressed only 10 players and played eight. Caldwell-Pope, one of five Lakers in double figures, scored 18 points during the fourth quarter as Los Angeles rallied for its second consecutive win. JaVale McGee added 22 points and Alex Caruso had 18 points and 11 assists.

It was a big loss for the playoff-bound Jazz, who fell two games behind Portland for the fourth seed in the Western Conference and home-court advantage in the first round. Rudy Gobert led Utah with 21 points and 10 rebounds, and Donovan Mitchell scored 19.



Milwaukee Bucks' Giannis Antetokounmpo dunks against Atlanta Hawks' Alex Len during the second half of an NBA basketball game Sunday, April 7, 2019, in Milwaukee.

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PELICANS 133, KINGS 129

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Ian Clark scored 31 points with a career-best seven 3-pointers, Elfrid Payton had 12 of his 25 points in the final 3½ minutes and New Orleans beat Sacramento.

Jahlil Okafor added 23 points and 14 rebounds to help the Pelicans stop a three-game skid while beating the Kings for the third time in four meetings this season.

Harrison Barnes scored 29 points for Sacramento in its final home game. De'Aaron Fox added 24 points and 11 assists, while Marvin Bagley had 19 points and 14 rebounds.

New Orleans prevented the Kings from celebrating their first 40-win season at home since 2005-06. Sacramento (39-42) can still reach 40 wins by beating Portland on the road Wednesday.

THUNDER 132, TIMBERWOLVES 126

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Russell Westbrook had 27 points, 10 rebounds and 15 assists to help Oklahoma City remain a half-game

ahead of San Antonio for seventh place in the Western Conference.

Paul George also scored 27 points and Dennis Schroder had 14 of his 21 in the fourth quarter for the Thunder. Karl-Anthony Towns led Minnesota with 35 points, while Andrew Wiggins scored 24 and Dario Saric added 23. Tyus Jones scored 10 points and tied his career high with 13 assists.

SPURS 112, CAVALIERS 90

CLEVELAND (AP) — LaMarcus Aldridge had 18 points and 13 rebounds as San Antonio extended Cleveland's losing streak to nine games.

The Spurs recently clinched a postseason spot for a NBA record-tying 22nd year in a row, but they don't yet know who they'll play in the first round. San Antonio came into the day in eighth place, which would mean an early matchup with defending champion Golden State. However, the Spurs can still move ahead of Oklahoma City and the Los Angeles Clippers as they own tiebreakers with both teams. □

Bellinger hits 7th HR, Dodgers beat Rockies 12-6 for sweep

DENVER (AP) — Cody Bellinger homered again, Max Muncy also went deep and Los Angeles outslugged Colorado.

Bellinger had three hits, including his major league-leading seventh home run, and has hit safely in 11 straight games dating to last year. The Dodgers have 24 homers and have connected in all 10 games. They scored 29 runs and swept a series at Coors Field for the second consecutive season.

Joe Kelly (1-1) pitched 1 2/3 innings in relief to get the win as "Sunday Night Baseball" on ESPN made its first appearance at Coors Field since 2001 with a game that lasted 3 hours, 52 minutes.

Colorado has lost seven of eight since starting the season with two wins. Nolan Arenado had three hits and three RBIs but Charlie Blackmon committed two embarrassing errors in right field. Chad Bettis (0-2) took the loss.

RAYS 3, GIANTS 0

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Tampa Bay manager Kevin Cash moved left-handed reliever Adam Kolarek to first base in a piece of matchup strategy, and the Rays opened with three straight series wins for the first time.

Kolarek pitched a perfect sixth inning to protect a 2-0 lead and moved to first base with a man on in the

seventh when righty Chaz Roe reliever to strike out lefty-swinging Brandon Belt. Kolarek returned to the mound, gave up a single and was replaced for good by Diego Castillo.

Yandy Diaz homered on the second pitch of the game from Drew Pomeranz (0-1), and Yonny Chirinos (2-0) allowed two hits in five innings. José Alvarado pitched around a hit and a walk in the ninth for his fourth save.

BREWERS 4, CUBS 2

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Christian Yelich hit his fifth homer this season and 100th of his career, a drive off Kyle Hendricks (0-2), Yelich had three RBIs, and Josh Hader struck out three over 2 2/3 perfect innings for his fifth save as Milwaukee won for the seventh time in eight games.

Chicago lost for the seventh time in eight games, dropping to 2-7.

Zach Davies (1-0) allowed a pair of unearned runs in 5 2/3 innings. The Brewers have won 15 of their last 16 regular season series dating to last year.

PHILLIES 2, TWINS 1

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Rhys Hoskins hit a two-run homer in the sixth inning off José Berrios (1-1), and Philadelphia improved to 6-2.

Zach Eflin (2-0) allowed a leadoff homer to Max Kepler and five singles, striking out five, and Hector Neris tossed a perfect ninth for



Los Angeles Dodgers' Cody Bellinger follows the flight of his solo home run off Colorado Rockies relief pitcher Bryan Shaw in the eighth inning of a baseball game Sunday, April 7, 2019, in Denver.

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his first save since last Sept. 18.

Phillies left fielder Andrew McCutchen made a perfect one-hop throw to the plate to prevent Marwin Gonzalez from scoring on Ehire Adrianza's single in the third.

NATIONALS 12, METS 9

NEW YORK (AP) — Max Scherzer (1-2) allowed four runs and eight hits in 6 1/3 innings with seven strikeouts, no walks and two hit batters, and he also singled in the game's first run.

Anthony Rendon homered for the fourth time in five games, a three-run drive as Washington opened a 12-1 lead, and the Nationals were helped by 12 walks.

Zack Wheeler (0-1) gave up seven runs, four hits and

a career-high seven walks in 4 2/3 innings.

BRAVES 4, MARLINS 3

ATLANTA (AP) — Dansby Swanson hit a game-ending single off Adam Conley (0-2) against a five-man infield after Ronald Acuña Jr. reached on a catcher's catcher's interference call on Chad Wallach after his apparent double-play grounder.

Pinch-hitter Curtis Granderson hit a tying homer in the ninth off Arodys Vizcaino (1-0).

Freddie Freeman hit a two-run homer off Caleb Smith in the first inning.

PIRATES 7, REDS 5

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A charged-up Yasiel Puig barreled into a bunch of Pirates during a bench-clear-

ing fracas and was among five ejections.

Derek Dietrich stood in the batter's box to watch the first of his two homers, a 436-foot second-inning drive that bounced into the Allegheny River, and two innings later Chris Archer threw his first pitch behind Dietrich's waist. Plate umpire Jeff Kellogg warned both benches and new Reds manager David Bell jogged from the dugout to the infield, arguing Archer should've been ejected.

Tempers quickly escalated. The excitable Puig, in his first season with the Reds, grabbed Pirates bench coach Tom Prince and tried to put the 54-year-old former catcher in a headlock. Puig, Bell and Reds pitcher Amir Garrett were ejected, as were Pirates pitchers Keone Kela and Felipe Vazquez.

Archer (1-0) allowed three runs and five hits in six innings. Josh Bell hit a 474-foot home run off Anthony DeSclafani (0-1) in the fourth that cleared the batter's eye in center.

CARDINALS 4, PADRES 1

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Adam Wainwright (1-0) gave up one run and five hits in six innings, struck out nine and didn't issue a walk while throwing 100 pitches.

Jordan Hicks got four outs for his first save.

Paul DeJong hit a two-run double in the fourth off Matt Strahm (0-2). □



In this Feb. 10, 2019 file photo, Cuba's Los Leneros de las Tunas baseball players listen to their national anthem before facing Panama's Los Toros de Herrera for the final, Caribbean Series baseball tournament championship game at Rod Carew stadium in Panama City.

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HAVANA (AP) — The Trump administration is moving to end a deal allowing Cuban baseball players to sign contracts directly with Ma-

ior League Baseball organizations. The change will once again require Cuban players to cut ties with their national program before

Trump administration ends MLB/Cuba baseball deal

signing with MLB.

The Treasury Department told MLB attorneys in a letter Friday that it was reversing an Obama administration decision allowing the major leagues to pay the Cuban Baseball Federation a release fee equal to 25% of each Cuban player's signing bonus. The decision made public Monday afternoon appears to make the MLB-Cuba deal unworkable by eliminating the payment mechanism,

similar to one MLB has with leagues in China, Korea and Japan.

"The U.S. does not support actions that would institutionalize a system by which a Cuban government entity garnishes the wages of hard-working athletes who simply seek to live and compete in a free society," National Security Council spokesman Garrett Marquis said. "The administration looks forward to working with MLB to identify ways

for Cuban players to have the individual freedom to benefit from their talents, and not as property of the Cuban state." The MLB and Cuba engaged in intense negotiations on a player-transfer deal through the Obama administration's two-year effort to normalize relations with Cuba but the deal was only finalized after Donald Trump took office pledging to roll back Obama's policy.

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Red Sox head to home opener with win after 3-8 trip

PHOENIX (AP) — Mitch Moreland homered off Merrill Kelly on the first pitch of the seventh inning, and the World Series champion Boston Red Sox ended an awful opening trip with a 1-0 win over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Sunday.

Boston went 3-8 against Seattle, Oakland and Arizona, its worst start since losing nine of 11 in 2011. The Red Sox host Toronto on Tuesday, their first game at Fenway Park since winning the World Series at Dodger Stadium last October.

Hector Velázquez, Brandon Workman, Marcus Walden (1-0), Matt Barnes and Ryan Brasier combined on a three-hitter. Walden got six outs for his first major league victory and Brasier retired Adam Jones on a game-ending groundout with a runner on second.

YANKEES 15, ORIOLES 3

BALTIMORE (AP) — Gary Sánchez hit three of the Yankees' seven home runs, their most on the road since 1961, and New York completed a three-game sweep to move back above .500 at 5-4.

Clint Frazier homered twice and had four hits, and Austin Romine and Gleyber Torres also went deep. New York's first 18 runs of the series scored on homers, and the Yankees hit 14 over the three games.

Domingo German (2-0)

gave up two runs, one hit and two walks in six-plus innings, and David Hess (1-1) allowed four runs and five hits in five innings.

Chris Davis was 0 for 4 and is hitless in 44 at-bats since Sept. 14, two shy of the major league record for a position player set by the Los Angeles Dodgers' Eugenio Velez in 2011.

ANGELS 7, RANGERS 2

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Mike Trout homered for the fourth straight game and Los Angeles won after waiting out a five-minute delay caused by a swarm of bees in the fifth.

Trout hit five home runs in the four-game series, going 6 for 11 with nine RBIs. He hit a two-run drive off Kyle Bird in the sixth inning for a 6-2 lead.

Justin Anderson (2-0) threw a scoreless inning in relief. Shelby Miller (0-1) gave up four runs, four hits and three walks in two innings.

INDIANS 3, BLUE JAYS 1

CLEVELAND (AP) — Mike Clevinger (1-0) struck out 10 and allowed one hit over five scoreless innings, then left with upper back tightness, as Cleveland completed a four-game sweep. Indians pitchers struck out 16, raising their three-game total to 57. Brad Hand got five outs for his fourth save, completing a three-hitter.

Toronto dropped to 3-8 and has struck out a major

league-leading 111 times.

Carlos Santana had an RBI double in a two-run first that included Tyler Naquin's run-scoring single. Jose Ramirez added an RBI double in the fifth.

TIGERS 3, ROYALS 1

DETROIT (AP) — Tyson Ross (1-1) allowed one run and five hits over seven innings in his debut at Comerica Park debut, the last current ballpark he hadn't pitched in, and Detroit won its fifth straight.

Rookie Christin Stewart drove in two runs off Brad Keller (1-1) to help the Tigers complete a three-game sweep. Shane Greene got three outs and has saves in all seven Tigers victories. Center fielder Niko Goodrum ended the game with a diving catch of Hunter Dozier's liner with a man on. Kansas City has lost six straight. Whit Merrifield extended his hitting streak to 28 games dating to last season.

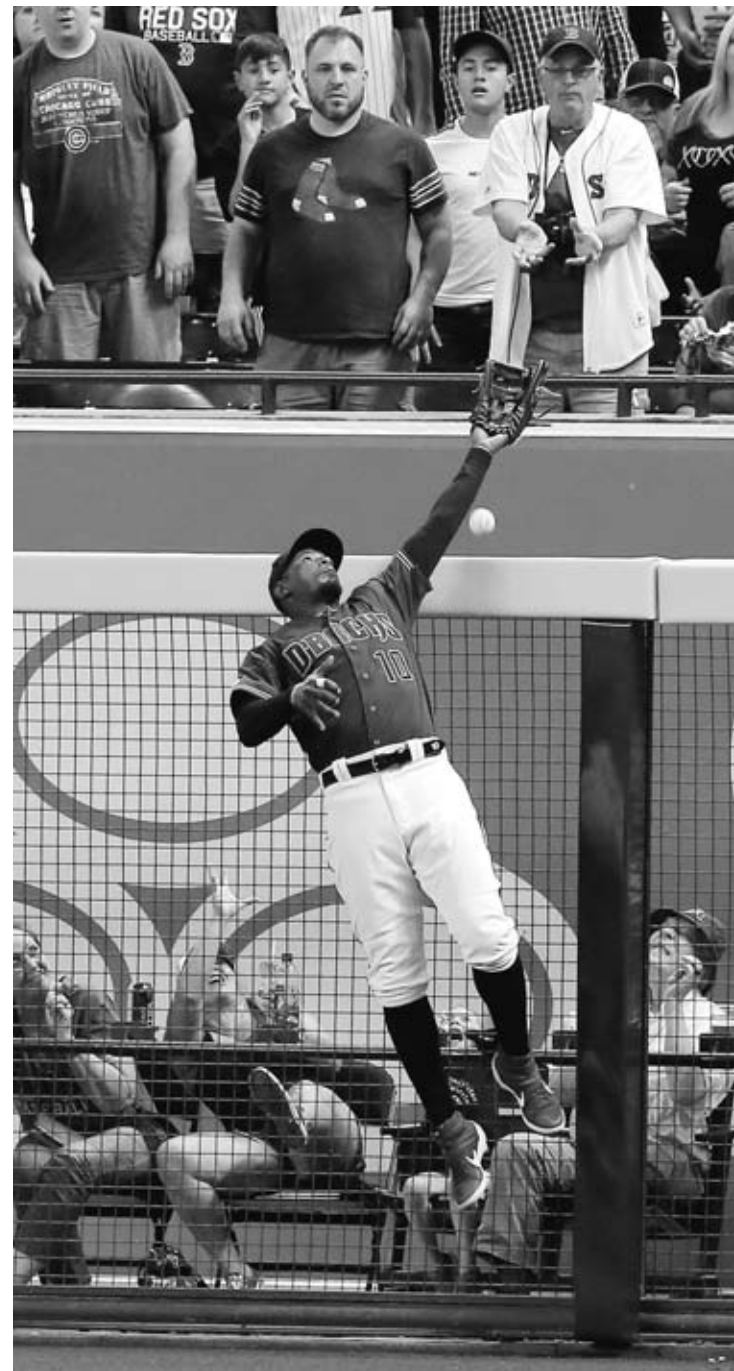
ASTROS 9, ATHLETICS 8

HOUSTON (AP) — Jose Altuve drew a four-pitch walk from Blake Treinen (0-1) with the bases loaded and two outs in the ninth, giving Houston a three-game sweep.

Roberto Osuna (1-0) struck out one in a perfect ninth.

MARINERS 12, WHITE SOX 5

CHICAGO (AP) — Daniel Vogelbach homered twice, hit a bases-clearing



Arizona Diamondbacks right fielder Adam Jones can not make the catch on a home run ball hit by Boston Red Sox's Mitch Moreland in the seventh inning during a baseball game, Sunday, April 7, 2019, in Phoenix.

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double and set a career high with six RBIs as Seattle improved its best start to 9-2.

Edwin Encarnación had a two-run homer and three

hits for the Mariners.

Wade LeBlanc (2-0) allowed six runs and six hits in six innings. Iván Nova (0-1) gave up seven runs and seven hits in 2 1/3 innings. □

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Opponents of normalization inside and outside the administration argued for its cancellation as soon as it was announced, and appear to have now succeeded.

U.S. law prohibits virtually all payments to the Cuban government under the 60-year embargo on the island but MLB argued the Cuban Baseball Federation, which oversees all aspects of the sport on the island, was not formally a part of the Cuban state.

Opponents called that argument ridiculous given the tight control the highly regimented government

maintains over virtually every aspect of life in Cuba. The letter from the Office of Foreign Assets Control obtained by The Associated Press agrees, saying that "in light of facts recently brought to our attention, and after consultation with the U.S. Department of State, OFAC has determined that MLB's payments to the Cuban Baseball Federation are not authorized." "We stand by the goal of the agreement, which is to end the human trafficking of baseball players from Cuba," an MLB statement said.

Without a formal path from Cuba to the major

leagues, hundreds of top players have left the island for good, many making harrowing crossings on rafts and rickety boats in the years before Cuba abandoned a hated exit permit requirement for most of its citizens.

While such dangerous escapes were mostly eliminated with greater travel freedoms, players still needed to cut ties with Cuban baseball and often their families and hometowns, going years without returning after signing with the major leagues.

"The deal with Major League Baseball is an attempt to stop human traf-

ficking, encourage cooperation and elevate the level of baseball," the Cuban Baseball Federation said on Twitter. "The politically motivated attacks on the deal hurt players, their families, and fans."

Last week the Cuban federation released its first group of players able to sign contracts directly with Major League Baseball organizations, and some expected to be playing in the United States this year.

The 34 players were 17 to 25, classified as international amateurs under MLB rules and eligible to sign minor league contracts.

No likely stars were appar-

ent on the list, but more notable players included 22-year-old Ridel Martinez Perez and 23-year-old Liván Moinelo Pita, who have played professionally in Japan; 17-year-old infielder Loidel Chapelli Zulueta; and 18-year-old pitcher Norge Carlos Vera Aldana.

The Cuban federation also agreed to release all players 25 and older with at least six years of professional experience to be classified as international professionals under MLB's labor contract with the players' association and not subject to international amateur signing bonus pools. □

BOSTON MARATHON

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"I want those who were injured through that to know that we are here with them," said Cheseto, an All-American distance runner at Alaska-Anchorage who lost both feet to frostbite after he was stranded in a blizzard for 56 hours.

"We, as human beings, are very resilient; we have a lot of good people out there; we can show our solidarity out there," said Cheseto, a native Kenyan who became a U.S. citizen in November — seven years to the day after he went missing. "Together, we can do good things."

The world's oldest and most prestigious annual marathon, Boston was the first major 26.2-miler (42.195 kilometer) to include a wheelchair division, in 1975. Once again, the wheelchair racers will be the first to break the tape on Boylston Street on April 15, when the Boston Athletic Association stages the event for the 123rd time.

But scattered among the field of 30,000 that follows will also be people riding handcycles, running on prosthetic legs or conquering other physical impair-

ments in the hopes of a personal best, or the satisfaction of finishing.

"They're coming to our events, and no one knows they're there," said Marla Runyan, a two-time Olympian and five-time Paralympic champion who has led the association's Athletes with Disabilities program for the past two years. "The B.A.A. wants to see people to see them for the athletes that they are." Starting next year, the organization will award titles — and prize money — in three divisions, recognizing not just the wheelchair racers who have been an official part of the race for four decades but also ambulatory runners who are visually impaired or amputees. "We wanted to make sure that we were paying attention to this emerging element of the sport," B.A.A. CEO Tom Grilk said.

Runners will compete for a \$1,500 top prize — men and women — from a total purse of \$16,500 that is on top of the \$125,000 prize pool for the wheelchair division.

Runyan, who was the top American woman in Boston when she finished fifth in 2003, has helped create



In this July 16, 2004, file photo, Marla Runyan leads the field of runners during the women's 1,500 meters semifinals at the U.S. Olympic track and field trials in Sacramento, Calif.

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qualification standards for next year's para athlete divisions, and she will invite runners who meet them. The organization is also hosting a U.S. para athletics classification session during marathon weekend. (For example, Cheseto is T62, double below the knee amputation; Runyan, who is legally blind, competed as a T13 against other runners with visual impairments.)

"I think it's been a long time coming," said Adam Popp, who lost part of his right leg to an improvised explosive device while serving with the Air Force in Afghani-

stan. "There's no other race out there that's going to provide what they do. And now that the ball is rolling, hopefully more people in my situation will get into the sport."

That would be a "happy accident," Runyan said, which could lead more races to include para athlete categories; that, in turn, could encourage more runners with physical impairments to run. Ultimately, Popp would like to see a Paralympic marathon for lower-limb amputees, which hasn't existed since 1996.

"That would be my dream.

But that's what I've been waiting for since November of 2015," he said. "I know a lot of other people have been waiting longer."

Popp, who finished the Los Angeles Marathon in 3 hours, 29 minutes, 36 seconds last month on what was supposed to be a Boston training run, said one the biggest obstacles for para athletes is having peers to train with, or run with, or even just to see on the course demonstrating what is possible.

"For people who have been there, that are in the hospital bed and they have started training for their 5K, they really need those peers to look up to and kind of guide the way," Popp said. "I think that what the Boston Marathon is going to do in 2020 is bring in elite level para athletes who can show others who might be coming up through the recovery what's going to be possible."

Some of them, Popp knows, will be among the hundreds who were wounded on Boylston Street in 2013 by two pressure cooker bombs with a design that maximized lower limb injuries, and were horrifically effective. □

Lloyd gets 2 goals in U.S.' 6-0 exhibition rout of Belgium

By GREG BEACHAM

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The World Cup must be getting close, because Carli Lloyd is looking dangerous.

The 2015 World Cup star scored her first two goals of the year in the opening 19 minutes of the U.S. women's national team's 6-0 thrashing of Belgium in an exhibition on Sunday night. Lindsey Horan and Samantha Mewis added first-half goals on headers after Lloyd scored twice in the air. Alex Morgan also got a goal early in the second half as the Americans showcased their offensive potency in their first-ever meeting with Belgium, a well-regarded opponent that barely missed World Cup qualification.

Jessica McDonald added the Americans' fifth headed goal in the final seconds of play.

"Obviously it all jelled really



Belgium defender Heleen Jaques (4) grabs United States forward Carli Lloyd (10) during the first half of their international friendly soccer match Sunday, April 7, 2019, in Los Angeles.

Associated Press

well tonight," Morgan said. "We had some players on the field that hadn't seen it as much, and I think a lot of players really stepped up. (The World Cup) is such a long tournament, and there are so many variables. We had to make sure every player is ready to contribute."

Morgan scored on a beautiful pass from the 36-year-old Lloyd, who showed she might be more than a super sub in France this summer.

In Lloyd's first start of the year, the goal-scoring hero of the Americans' World Cup triumph in Canada came through with her

106th and 107th career goals, tying Michelle Akers for fourth place on the U.S.' career goals list.

"I'd be foolish to not take this opportunity and try to seize it," Lloyd said. "I want to win. I'm a winner. People can say what they want, but I know at the end of the day I can help this team lift that trophy in France, and I'm not going to stop until I can do that."

The team's leading active goal-scorer had played only 34 minutes as a substitute in five games this year, and she has been expected to play a reserve role this summer after coach Jill Ellis largely relegated her to the bench late last year. But Lloyd capitalized on her start with another dynamic display of the offensive talent that made her FIFA's World Player of the Year in 2015 and 2016. "I've said she's a game-

changer, whether she's on the pitch or coming onto the pitch," Ellis said of Lloyd. "That's her role for us. I thought tonight, she was sharp. Fantastic. Played her role perfectly, getting on the end of things and getting results." Veteran defender Ali Krieger also made her first appearance for the U.S. in exactly two years, getting back into Ellis' lineup for her 99th career appearance after going 18 months without a call-up before this two-game set of exhibition victories over Australia and Belgium.

Ellis is expected to set her World Cup roster for France within the next month.

"I have some big decisions to make in the next couple of weeks, so I think part of looking at (Krieger) was to see that," Ellis said. "We want to get as many looks as we can." □

Tough calls prove again that sports aren't perfectly fair

By EDDIE PELLIS AP

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The toilet paper was already flying at Toomer's Corner, the spot where the biggest celebrations go down when Auburn's sports teams win big.

Then, the whistle blew.

A foul. Three free throws.

A comeback win transformed into a devastating loss.

And within seconds, the pain and second-guessing of the final plays flowed from everywhere. From TV: "Man, I want to cry right now," said Auburn alum Charles Barkley. From Twitter on a non-call: "Were they paid by Virginia?" From the headlines: "Foul Play."

Lost somewhere amid all that agony at Auburn and euphoria in Virginia heading to the NCAA Tournament final was the fact that we've seen all this before.

No official is perfect.

No instant replay is going to fend off all mistakes.

Even when the call is the right one, sports aren't always fair.

And when they're being played on the biggest stages, those facts of life are placed out there on vivid, often heart-wrenching display.

"At that level, you'd hope it's not going to happen because of what's at stake, but it's going to happen," said John O'Sullivan, founder of the Changing The Game Project, which teaches about keeping perspective in youth sports. "It has always happened, and it always will."

Virginia earned a date with Texas Tech in Monday's national title game because of the foul and those three free throws, to say nothing of the whistles that weren't blown in the moments before.

In Virginia's 63-62 win over Auburn on Saturday, the discussion about whether Samir Doughty fouled Kyle Guy as Guy was shooting a 3-pointer with 0.6 seconds remaining turned out to be the simplest part of the debate.

More difficult to untangle: Should that foul have

been called under those circumstances? Many see it simply, others point out that worse infractions have been ignored.

And what about the Ty Jerome, the Virginia guard who lost the ball, picked it up and then started dribbling again, on the play that came seconds earlier near midcourt? Should that have been whistled? And why didn't the refs call a foul when Bryce Brown grabbed Jerome's jersey as Jerome was trying to re-collect the ball just before he double-dribbled?

It all happened in the blink of an eye — much easier to detect, and break down, with the help of super slow-motion and a couple different angles that none of the three officials had the luxury of seeing either while it was happening, or directly after it occurred. It was a judgment (non) call, so it wasn't subject to being reviewed, the way many tough, late-game calls are under the rules in college hoops.

"I would challenge anyone complaining about that call, I'd say, 'Did you recognize that in real time?'" said Dean Blandino, the former vice president of officiating for the NFL. "It's just one of those unusual plays that happen. When I used to be in officials' meetings, we would always say, 'Something is going to come up that's never happened before, so you just have to anticipate that.'"

But how to react to something that's never happened before?

Less than three months ago, the Los Angeles Rams made the Super Bowl at the expense of the New Orleans Saints in the wake of an unthinkable non-call of an obvious pass-interference infraction late in that game.

The NFL got pilloried for the call. Lawsuits were filed. The commissioner, Roger Goodell, got destroyed during his annual Super Bowl press conference for failing to promise immediate change.

Only last week did the league's teams vote to



In this April 6, 2019, file photo, Virginia's Kyle Guy (5) takes a shot as Auburn's Samir Doughty (10) was called for a foul during the second half in the semifinals of the Final Four NCAA college basketball tournament, in Minneapolis. Guy sank all three free throws and Virginia defeated Auburn 63-62.

make pass interference calls, and non-calls, reviewable.

"But you do that, and you're potentially creating a whole host of other issues," Blandino said. Only time will tell what they are.

Serena Williams in tennis. Dustin Johnson in golf. The 1972 U.S. Olympic basketball team. The "Hand of God" in soccer. Fifth down for Colorado in college football.

Blown calls, controversial calls and calls that were "correct" according to the rulebook but questionable given the circumstances are nothing new to sports. Sometimes, the reaction of the wronged party can be as memorable as the call itself.

After Saturday's whistle, Auburn coach Bruce Pearl, apoplectic at first, diffused the situation as best he

could: "There are lots of calls during the game, and you're going to get some, and some you're not going to get," he said.

That's boilerplate material for good sportsmanship and teaching your players, and fans, how to handle the toughest of situations. Similar emotions sometimes manifest themselves in other types of cruel or redeeming moments. On Sunday, Guy explained how his winning free throws followed a year rebuilding his confidence after Virginia's historic 16-over-1 loss last year. A few hours later, Notre Dame star Arike Ogunbowale lost a chance to repeat as hero in the women's NCAA final by missing a free throw she intended to make and then making a free throw she intended to miss.

In general, O'Sullivan warns it's not good to use the examples set in elite sports as

lessons for how to behave at the youth or recreational level.

"Those are two different things," he said. "One is sport for entertainment, the other is sport for development."

Sometimes, especially in places where sports are so enmeshed with daily life, they seem hard to separate.

But even at Toomer's Corner in Auburn, the sun came up the next morning. America started counting down to Monday night's big game, and fans on every side could agree on one thing: Hopefully an official's call won't decide it.

"Regardless of the circumstances, we're all human," said Craig Littlepage, the former athletic director at Virginia. "We all have to realize that it's sports. There are going to be mistakes made along the way." □

Facebook, Google face widening crackdown over online content

By **DANICA KIRKA** and **KELVIN CHAN**

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Social media giants like Facebook and Google came under increasing pressure in Europe on Monday when countries proposed stricter rules to force them to block extreme material such as terrorist propaganda and child porn.

Britain called for a first-of-its-kind watchdog for social media that could fine executives and even ban companies. And a European Union parliamentary committee approved a bill giving internet companies an hour to remove terror-related material or face fines that could reach into the billions.

"We are forcing these firms to clean up their act once and for all," said British Home Secretary Sajid Javid, whose department collaborated on Britain's proposal.

Opponents warned the British and EU measures could stifle innovation and strengthen the dominance of technology giants because smaller companies won't have the money to comply. That, in turn, could turn Google and Facebook into the web's censors, they said.

The push to make big social media companies responsible for the torrent of material they carry has largely been driven by Europeans. But it picked up momentum after the March 15 mosque shootings in New Zealand that killed 50 people and were livestreamed for 17 minutes. Facebook said it removed 1.5 million



In this April 18, 2017 file photo, conference workers speak in front of a demo booth at Facebook's annual F8 developer conference, in San Jose, Calif.

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videos of the attacks in the 24 hours afterward.

The U.S., where government action is constrained by the First Amendment right to free speech and freedom of the press, has taken a more hands-off approach, though on Tuesday, a House committee will press Google and Facebook executives on whether they are doing enough to curb the spread of hate crimes and white nationalism.

Australia last week made it a crime for social media platforms not to quickly remove "abhorrent violent material." The offense would be punishable by three years in prison and a fine of 10.5 million Australian dollars (\$7.5 million), or 10% of the platform's annual revenue, whichever is larger. New Zealand's Privacy Commissioner wants his country to do the same.

The British plan would require social media companies such as Facebook and Twitter to protect people who use their sites from "harmful content." The plan, which includes the creation of an independent regulator funded by a tax on internet companies, will be subject to public comment for three months before the government publishes draft legislation.

"No one in the world has done this before, and it's important that we get it right," Culture Secretary Jeremy Wright told the BBC.

Facebook's head of public policy in Britain, Rebecca Stimson, said the goal of the new rules should be to protect society while also supporting innovation and freedom of speech.

"These are complex issues to get right, and we look forward to working with the government and Parlia-

ment to ensure new regulations are effective," she said.

Britain will consider imposing financial penalties similar to those under the EU's online data privacy law, which permits fines of up to 4% of a company's annual worldwide revenue, Wright said. In extreme cases, the government may also seek to fine individual company directors and prevent companies from operating in Britain.

Under the EU legislation that cleared an initial hurdle in Brussels, any internet companies that fail to remove terrorist content within an hour of being notified by authorities would face similar 4% penalties. EU authorities came up with the idea last year after attacks highlighted the growing trend of online radicalization.

The bill would apply to companies providing ser-

vices to EU citizens, whether or not those businesses are based in the EU's 28 member countries. It still needs further approval, including from the full European Parliament.

It faces heavy opposition from digital rights organizations, tech industry groups and some lawmakers, who said the 60-minute deadline is impractical and would lead companies to go too far and remove even lawful material.

"Instead, we call for a more pragmatic approach with removals happening 'as soon as possible,' to protect citizens' rights and competitiveness," said EDIMA, a European trade group for new media and internet companies.

Opponents said the measure also places a bigger burden on smaller internet companies than on giants like Facebook and Google, which already have automated content filters. To help smaller web companies, the bill was modified to give them an extra 12 hours for their first offense, a measure opponents said didn't go far enough.

Mark Skilton, a professor at England's Warwick Business School, urged regulators to pursue new methods such as artificial intelligence that could do a better job of tackling the problem.

"Issuing large fines and hitting companies with bigger legal threats is taking a 20th-century bullwhip approach to a problem that requires a nuanced solution," he said. "It needs machine learning tools to manage the 21st-century problems of the internet." □

3D technology being used to locate new Alaska oil pockets

PRUDHOE BAY, Alaska (AP) — New technology is being used to search for untapped oil in an Alaska bay that is already an established source of fossil fuel, according to officials. Oil and gas company BP is employing "3D seismic" technology to locate small pockets of previously undiscovered oil in Prudhoe

Bay in northern Alaska, the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner reported Saturday.

The area has been an oil source for more than four decades, but in recent years its flow has slowed, the newspaper reported.

The technology involves metal platforms mounted to "vibe trucks" weighing about 93,000 pounds

(42,185 kilograms) that cause the ground to vibrate with sonic energy, officials said.

"As the energy wave goes through the subsurface, the rocks are in layers, and the layers are based in hardness," said Robert Pool, a BP seismic acquisition specialist. "A harder layer, the sound wave goes through

faster. And a softer layer, it goes through slower."

Receivers pick up the returning sound waves and convert the data into a three-dimensional "cube" depicting the geology below, including the location of hidden pockets of oil, officials said. The 3D seismic survey from January through mid-April will

sweep over 450 square miles (about 1,166 square kilometers), the company said. Environmental groups have voiced strong opposition to prospective 3D seismic work in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, but they have not opposed BP's use of the technology in Prudhoe Bay, the newspaper reported. □

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Burned out business owners learn to relax, delegate, say no

By JOYCE M. ROSENBERG

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Candace Barr showed all the signs: She was exhausted, stressed out and "starting to resent my clients."

Barr had so much work in her resume writing business that it was a struggle to get it all done.

In short, she was burned out.

While burnout is a common phenomenon in the workplace, it's particularly frustrating for entrepreneurs whose dream was to escape the daily grind of employment and find fulfillment in running their own companies.

"I had major deadlines every week," recalls Barr, owner of Birmingham, Alabama-based Strategic Resume Specialists, who discovered that burnout can occur even when a business is flourishing.

Like many owners who realize they're burned out, Barr made adjustments. She scheduled breaks and turned down some requests.

"Saying 'no' does not come easily when someone says they might get their dream opportunity," she says. But, Barr says, putting quality over quantity makes the process easier.

Exhaustion, feeling overwhelmed and even getting sick can make owners dread the very things about their companies that once brought them joy.



In this March 26, 2019, photo Victoria Bogner poses for a photo in her office in Lawrence, Kan. While burnout is common with workers, students and caregivers, it's particularly frustrating for entrepreneurs.

Victoria Bogner, who describes herself as a perfectionist and control freak, burned out after becoming head of two financial advisory firms.

"I eventually found myself spinning some huge plates as a CEO, chief investment officer, and a financial advisor with my own clientele," says Bogner, a co-owner of McDaniel Knutson Financial Partners in Lawrence, Kansas.

Bogner started getting sick and felt light-headed. Her doctor told her she was stressed out, needed to take a vacation and to figure out how to dial back. Her husband had a warn-

ing of his own: "It's affecting our marriage."

At about that time, Bogner became pregnant with her first child. She realized she had to delegate tasks to staffers and relinquish her need for perfection. And set firm boundaries between work and her personal life.

Now, at home with her two children, "I put my computer and phone away and focus on them. No insidious multitasking that makes us all believe we can answer emails and be present with our family at the same time," Bogner says.

Florent Defontis worked 18 hour-days and gave up ex-

ercising as he built his software business, Air360. He loved the work but so focused on it that he neglected his health. He ended up in the hospital on the verge of an ulcer.

Defontis cut the number of hours he worked. And he returned to one of his great loves, exercising and jogging outdoors. A resident of Paris, he realizes he should have been taking advantage of the city's great parks all along: "It's stupid now, when I think of it."

Business partners can suffer collective burnout. Five years ago, when Paul Altero and Bill Hart had opened eight Bubbakoo's

Burritos restaurants, they were both overwhelmed from the juggling required to create new locations, work on their strategic plan and run day-to-day operations of the Point Pleasant, New Jersey-based chain. Altero remembers having panic attacks.

It was so draining that "we would look at each other and say, 'OK, do we stop?'" Altero recalls. "Another part of us would say, 'we can't stop, it's working.'"

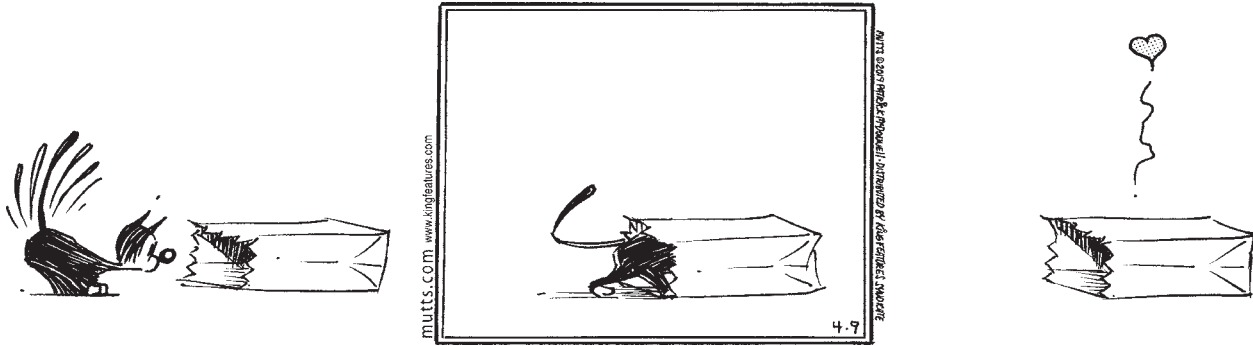
The partners had resisted delegating but realized they needed to make some key hires. A district manager and an administrative assistant came on board, followed eventually by a vice president to oversee construction of new locations. The company now has 25 restaurants with 10 more planned.

Burnout may not be a one-shot deal. Dentist Ben Dancygier, like many practitioners, handles accounting, staffing issues and other tasks that accompany running a business. He's suffered burnout several times from working too much.

"You think the more hours you put in, the more that gets accomplished but then suddenly it hits you that you aren't getting anything done because you can't think straight," says Dancygier, who owns Valley Pediatric Dentistry, which has offices in Jefferson Valley and Hopewell Junction, New York. □

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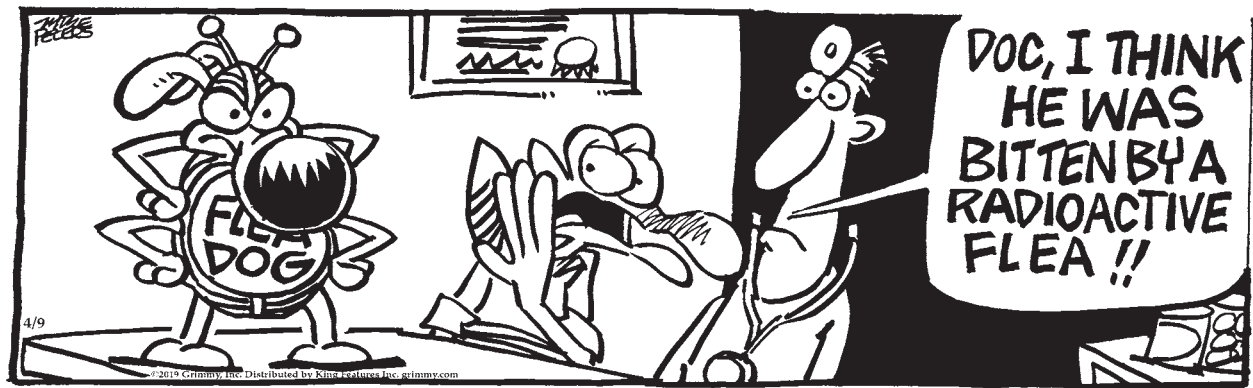
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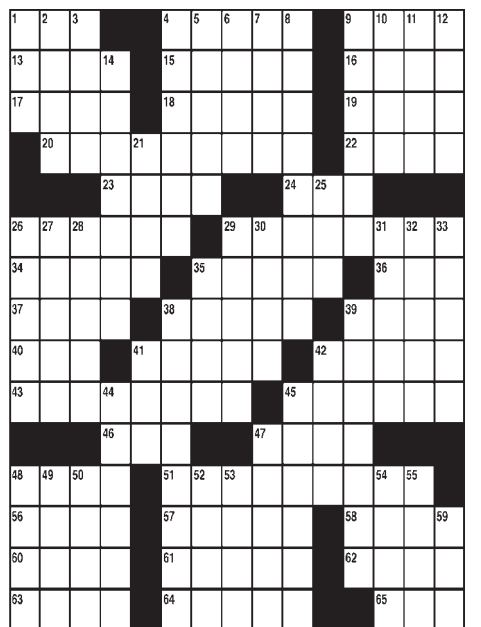
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Survey: More Mexican gray wolves roaming southwestern U.S.

By SUSAN MONTOYA BRYAN

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) —

More Mexican gray wolves are roaming the American Southwest now than at any time since federal biologists began reintroducing the predators more than two decades ago, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced Monday.

Agency officials declared progress for the endangered species in New Mexico and Arizona, saying there are at least 131 wolves in the wild in the two states. That represents a 12% jump in the population. The rarest subspecies of gray wolf in North America, Mexican wolves have struggled to gain ground since the first release in 1998 because of poaching, politics, legal challenges and even complications from a lack of genetic diversity.

"The Mexican gray wolf has come back from the brink of extinction thanks to scientific management and the dedicated work of a lot of partners," said Amy Lueders, head of the agency's southwest region.

The population increase comes as gray wolves



In this Feb. 13, 2019, photo provided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, a member of the Mexican gray wolf recovery team carries a wolf captured during an annual census near Alpine, Ariz.

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have marked their own turnaround elsewhere, prompting federal officials to reconsider that species' endangered and protected status. Now more than 6,000 gray wolves live in portions of nine states.

Making up only a fraction of the wolves in the U.S., Mexican wolves are in a more precarious position with their limited numbers and the population is still far from where biologists had initially envisioned the

species would be by now. Environmentalists have long called for the release of more captive wolves to boost the population in the Southwest. They also have complained about confining the physical boundaries of the recovery program, saying that has helped to limit the population.

However, they were encouraged Monday by the latest numbers.

"It shows that these wolves have the capacity to make

it if we give them half a chance," said Michael Robinson with the Center for Biological Diversity.

Ranchers and others in rural communities within the mountain ranges that border wolf territory have pushed back against the reintroduction program, citing livestock kills and safety concerns.

Federal wildlife managers have been working with partners in Arizona, the White Mountain Apache Tribe and the Mexican government to mitigate concerns related to the reintroduction on both sides of the international border, but ranchers in New Mexico and Arizona continue to document conflicts that range from cattle deaths to nuisance reports.

During the first two months of the year, officials reported 18 confirmed livestock kills in New Mexico and two in Arizona.

Environmentalists have argued that not enough is being done to discourage wolves from preying on livestock and to limit losses from trapping and poaching.

"The Mexican gray wolf is an essential part of the

Southwestern ecosystem and we must do everything we can to ensure the species recovers," said Bryan Bird with Defenders of Wildlife.

Despite the ongoing battles, officials said they're still encouraged by the growth in the wolf population given that 21 wolves were found dead during 2018, marking the deadliest year for the predators since the reintroduction of the program. Another four were reported dead in the first two months of 2019, including an alfa female that died after being captured during the annual census so its collar could be replaced.

The census also showed an increase in the number of packs in the wild. That now stands at 32, with half of them rearing pups that survived at least through the end of 2018. In all, more than 80 pups were born last year and biologists say the survival rate was shy of 60%. That's an improvement over past years. Jim deVos with the Arizona Department of Game and Fish said the uptick in wolf numbers isn't isolated but rather a continuation of ongoing increases over the last decade. □



In this photo provided by Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation members of Archipelagos institute carry a dead dolphin at a beach of Samos island, Aegean sea, Greece, on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019.

Associated Press

Aegean Sea sees "very unusual" spike in dolphin deaths

ATHENS, Greece (AP) —

The Aegean Sea has seen a "very unusual" spike in dolphin deaths over the past few weeks, a Greek marine conservation group said Monday.

The Archipelagos Institute said while it's still unclear what caused the deaths, the spike followed Turkey's largest-ever navy drills in the region — the Feb. 27-March 8 "Blue Homeland" exercises that made constant use of sonar and practiced with live ammunition.

Fifteen dead dolphins have washed up on the eastern island of Samos and other parts of Greece's Aegean coastline since late February, the group said. Its head of research, Anastassia Mil-

liou, told The Associated Press that 15 is a worryingly high number compared to "one or two" in the same period last year.

The deafening noise of sonar, used by warships to detect enemy submarines, can injure dolphins and whales, driving them to surface too fast or to beach themselves — with sometimes fatal consequences — as they try to escape the underwater din.

"We can't say that the Turkish exercises killed the dolphins, but the fact that we had such an unusual increase in the number washed up dead — and what we have seen must be a small percentage of the total, because the Aegean has a long coastline

— coincided with exercises that used more than 100 ships," Miliou said.

After several mass beachings of whales, NATO, to which both Turkey and Greece belong, adopted a code of conduct for using sonar to better protect marine mammals.

Miliou said the alliance's rules are respected by the U.S. Navy and the Greek navy but said it was unclear whether Turkey has implemented the guidelines. She urged the Greek government to raise the issue in talks with Ankara.

Miliou also said the Aegean "can barely handle" other strains humans are putting on the sea, such as pollution, overfishing and heavy marine traffic. □

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'Come From Away,' 'The Inheritance' score at Olivier Awards

By JILL LAWLESS

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — "The Inheritance", an epic drama about gay lives in New York, and musicals "Come From Away" and "Company" were the big winners at British theater's Olivier Awards on Sunday, receiving four trophies apiece.

"Come From Away," inspired by a small Canadian town that sheltered thousands of stranded airline passengers after the 9/11 attacks, was named best new musical at Britain's equivalent of Broadway's Tony Awards. The play also took trophies for sound, outstanding achievement in music and choreography.

Choreographer Kelly Devine dedicated the award in her category to the people of Gander, Newfoundland who in real life "effortlessly showed the world how easy it is to be kind."

The award for best musical revival went to a production of Stephen Sondheim's "Company" that gender-swapped the lead role of a commitment-shy New York singleton and turned the usually male Bobby character into Bobbie.

Director Marianne Elliott attributed the show's success partly to "a wind of change blowing in the industry, where celebrating female stories is not only possible,



Actor Tom Hiddleston, from left, actors Zawe Ashton, Patsy Ferran and Charlie Cox pose for photographers backstage at the Olivier Awards in London, Sunday, April 7, 2019.

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but absolutely vital."

"Company" also delivered a supporting actress prize to Broadway diva Patti Lupone and a supporting actor trophy to Jonathan Bailey. It took another award for set-design.

"The Inheritance," Matthew Lopez's drama about young gay men living in New York a generation after the AIDS crisis was declared best new play.

Lopez said he was "overwhelmed and overjoyed" by the trans-Atlantic success of his seven-hour epic, which had its world premiere at London's Young

Vic Theatre.

"We've seen a lot of Brits come over and take home Tonys," Lopez said backstage, clutching a statuette topped with a bust of the late actor for whom the award is named, Laurence Olivier. "It's only fair."

Lopez said he was hopeful the show would get a Broadway run now that London has shown the play, mined from his own experience, resonates with audiences. "You could have blown me over with a feather," he said of the reaction his play got from theatergoers in Britain's

capital. "Even some of the New York jokes, they got."

"The Inheritance" also took prizes for lighting and for Stephen Daldry's direction, while star Kyle Soller beat rivals who included Ian McKellen to be garlanded best actor in a play.

Soller, an American based in London, dedicated his award to "those who continue to fight in a world where you can still be stoned to death for loving who you love."

Islamic Laws making gay sex and adultery punishable by death by stoning took effect Wednesday in

the southeast Asian nation of Brunei. The country's sultan owns properties around the world, includes London's Dorchester Hotel.

Spanish-British actress Patsy Ferran was crowned best actress in a play as a woman consumed by love in Tennessee Williams' smoldering "Summer and Smoke." The competition was a talented field that included Gillian Anderson for "All About Eve" and Sophie Okonedo for "Antony and Cleopatra"

"Summer and Smoke" also took the prize for best revival.

Sharon D. Clarke was named best actress in a musical for her powerful performance as the maid to a Southern U.S. family in the 1960s in Tony Kushner's "Caroline, or Change."

Best actor in a musical went to Kobna Holdbrook-Smith for playing a charismatic, abusive Ike Turner in "Tina - The Tina Turner Musical."

Founded in 1976, the Olivier Awards honor achievements in London theater, musicals, dance and opera. Winners in most categories are chosen by a panel of stage professionals and theatergoers.

Sally Field, Kelsey Grammer, Tom Hiddleston, David Suchet and Gloria Estefan were among the stars walking the red carpet in a drizzle before the ceremony at the Royal Albert Hall. □

T.C. Boyle spins a family drama from the LSD era

By ROB MERRILL

Associated Press

"Outside Looking In" (Ecco), by T.C. Boyle

Just as he did in his last novel about scientists inhabiting Arizona's Biosphere 2 in the 1990's ("The Terranauts"), T.C. Boyle's latest takes a real-world event — Harvard psychologist Timothy Leary's LSD experiments in the 1960's — and imagines some of the people who went along for the trip. Meet the Loneys: Grad student Fitzhugh, his wife, Joanie, and their son, Corey. Seeking to ingratiate himself in Harvard's psychology department, Fitz convinces

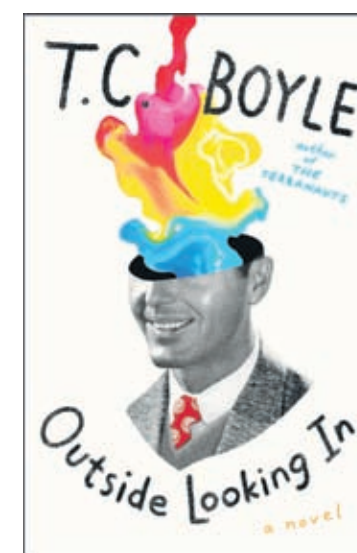
Joanie to attend one of Dr. Leary's "sessions" at his home. Before they know it they're swallowing a "beginner's dose" (20 milligrams) of psilocybin, a precursor to LSD. And before they know that, they're having the best sex of their lives and apologizing to the babysitter for being so late. The story moves fast from there. From Newton, Massachusetts, to Zihuatanejo, Mexico, and finally to Millbrook, New York, the Loneys immerse themselves in Leary's communes, altering their minds regularly and testing the limits of what it means to be a family. The

historical references may intrigue some readers and thankfully there's Google for that. But the heart of the story is the Loney family. As their drug dependencies deepen, husband and wife move in opposite directions — Fitz starts being convinced that Leary is on the cutting edge of science, while Joanie appreciates the intimacy LSD creates after 13 years of marriage. Three-hundred pages later, nothing is what it was and Boyle's writing doesn't provide much hope for the family's future.

"Nothing quite fit right, as if the world were a suit of

clothes that had shrunk in the dryer and had to be pinched and tugged till it stretched back out again," writes Boyle after Fitz comes down from a week-long trip sequestered with a teenage girl in a Millbrook cottage.

Boyle doesn't pass judgment on behaviors that more than half a century later seem downright criminal. Corey takes his first trip — all the kids at the Millbrook estate do — before he's old enough to even drive, and needless to say middle school looks much less attractive when not high. □



This cover image released by Ecco shows "Outside Looking In," a novel by T.C. Boyle.

Associated Press

Film explores rural health care amid poverty, opioid crisis

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, I

— Northern New Mexico is known for tourist attractions such as artsy Santa Fe, eclectic Taos and the healing dirt of El Santuario de Chimayó. The region's relaxing spas and skiing options present middle-class and wealthy visitors the opportunity to bask in the allurements of quiet and breathtaking landscapes.

But seldom do these tourists stop in the drive-by towns and villages where largely Hispanic and Native American residents make their home. And there sits another side of northern New Mexico.

A new documentary, set to air on the PBS Independent Lens series this week, explores the world of rural health care amid poverty and a persistent opioid crisis by focusing on these

northern New Mexico communities.

"The Providers" looks at the challenges three health care workers in rural New Mexico face as they give services to aging patients and those struggling with addiction to alcohol and opioids. Through the eyes of physician assistant Matt Probst, family physician Dr. Leslie Hayes and nurse practitioner Chris Ruge, the film shows how the health care providers from El Centro Family Health Center refuse to pass judgment on their patients who are just trying to get to the next day. El Centro is a group of clinics in northern New Mexico that helps people in a region four times as large as Connecticut.



In this Dec. 21, 2016, file photo, family physician Leslie Hayes listens for a fetal heartbeat while attending to a 40-year-old mother, not seen, who is being treated for an addiction to heroin with the anti-craving medication Subutex, at the El Centro Family Health medical clinic in Espanola, N.M.

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Probst should know. His father struggled with his own addiction to heroin and his sister with metham-

phetamine. A 16-year-old Probst once sold cocaine to help his family pay the mortgage. □

Luther Dickinson, sisters in song share 'Solstice'

Associated Press

Luther Dickinson and Sisters of the Strawberry Moon, "Solstice" (New West)
Some of the solo and parallel projects of North Mississippi Allstars guitarist-vocalist Luther Dickinson have been among his most fascinating work.

He continues that tradition on the diverse "Solstice," where his role as producer and musical matchmaker gives the spotlight to Sisters of the Strawberry Moon, a custom-made lineup that includes some longtime collaborators (Amy LaVere and Sharde Thomas), a Mississippi gospel trio (The Como Mamas), the husband-and-wife duo Birds of Chicago and Amy Helm. Recorded at the Dickinson family's Zebra Ranch Studios in (where else?) Mississippi, "Solstice" has the kind of effortless quality that results from musicians collaborating on similar wavelengths.

Drummer and fife player (a family tradition) Sharde Thomas' two songs — "Fly With Me" and "We Made It" — are brief, optimistic and



This cover image released by New West Records shows "Solstice" a release by Luther Dickinson and Sisters of the Strawberry Moon.

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delightfully playful, while Amy LaVere expertly reprises David Egan's "Hallelujah (I'm A Dreamer)" and kills softly with the romantic menace of her own "The Night Is Still Young." Amy Helm takes the lead on the soulful "Sing to Me" and a cover of "Like a Songbird That Has Fallen."

from the "Cold Mountain" soundtrack.

The Como Mamas are a group in themselves, their acapella renditions carrying powerful messages — "Turn the light from heaven/On my soul/If you find anything that shouldn't be/Take it out/And straighten me."□

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'Queer Eye' star France bridges divides on TV, in real life

By LINDSAY WHITEHURST

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Netflix show "Queer Eye" caught on by doing something unusual: creating reality TV that touches on some of the country's deepest divides with persistent optimism.

Alongside sleek new haircuts and rehabbed wardrobes, the makeover program starring five gay men tackles the contrast between urban and rural, white and black, liberal and conservative.

The show's resident fashion expert, Tan France, switches between those worlds off-camera too. He's an English immigrant who was raised Muslim and spends his off hours at home with his husband in decidedly red-state Utah. Living in Salt Lake City gives him a perspective that comes in handy for a show featuring a cross-section of America, he says.

"When I go into the homes of these people, they're my neighbors. I spend my days with them. I know who these people are, so it puts me in a very privileged position to say, 'I get what you're going through, and let me help you through it,'" he said in a recent interview at his renovated historic home on a quiet street.

The house's attic floor is given entirely to a walk-in closet and another closet for scented candles. It's the kind of stylish wholesomeness the show channels effectively.

A reboot of the 2003 series "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy," the version that premiered last year takes the setup to new places. The makeover subjects, dubbed heroes on the show, have ranged from a President Trump-supporting NASCAR fan to two African-American sisters who own a barbecue joint. Between the home renovations and cooking lessons are plenty of poignant moments.

France stars on the show along with food guru Antoni Porowski, hairstylist Jonathan Van Ness, culture expert Karamo Brown and home designer Bobby Berk.

"It's a very honest, earnest show," France said. "I think many people worried that this wasn't going to work. It was going to be a very emotional show, it was going to be a positive show, and up until that point those shows weren't successful."

But "Queer Eye" quickly took off, has now released a third season and won best reality show at the GLAAD media awards. Rich Ferraro, a spokesman for the LGBTQ advocacy group, said the original show helped raise awareness by bringing five successful gay men into American living rooms across the country. The new version also includes some subjects from the LGBTQ community, from a transgender man to a black lesbian disowned by her adoptive family.

"I love how the 'Queer Eye' of today shows not only the evolution of the subject but of the people who live in the neighborhoods and communities around the subject and how they come to terms with LGBTQ people," Ferraro said. "I think 'Queer Eye' has become a moment of celebration during a pretty dark time for LGBTQ Americans." Skylar Jay, a transgender man from Athens, Georgia, who uses his first and middle name publicly for safety reasons, said he's gotten far more reaction than he expected after he appeared as a subject on the show.

"Everyone watches this show!" he said. Most surprising has been the reaction of straight, cisgender men. While those kinds of encounters with strangers might have included name-calling or violence in the past, now many men want to shake his hand or say thanks for educating them about transgender issues.

In one episode, Jay has a long conversation about transgender issues with France, who said he knew few transgender people and asked a number of questions. Jay said he still hears from people all over the world about that talk.

"People who are trans, or have someone trans in their family or a trans friend, or who don't even know anyone who's trans at all but now they have at least somewhat of an understanding to be decent to trans people," he said. "That is the most valuable gift they gave me."

France, meanwhile, has become a rare LGBTQ celebrity of south Asian descent. A native of the north of England whose family is Pakistani, he has lived in Salt Lake City on and off for more than a decade. It's where he met his husband, Rob, an illustrator who grew up in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Wyoming. Though they don't talk much about faith, France said their different upbringings nevertheless created a similar



In this March 15, 2019, photo, Tan France, a cast member on the Netflix series "Queer Eye," poses among his clothes in the attic of his home in Salt Lake City.

Associated Press

value system.

France also loves the sweeping mountain vistas that surround the city, the burgeoning food scene and longtime friends.

"If I lived in New York or L.A., I'm sure my life would have changed massively. That's why I choose to live in Salt Lake," he said. "I come home and escape from the extra life I have no desire to live."

He'd also like to correct some misperceptions: Salt Lake isn't full of polygamists, and in fact the predominant faith renounced it more than a century ago. Though the church has sometimes been at odds with the larger LGBTQ community, France has many friends who belong to the faith and hasn't faced discrimination in Utah.

He wasn't in entertainment before, instead designing

fashionable, modest clothing in Utah and building a partnership with a successful blogger who considered a reality TV show. That project didn't pan out, but it got France noticed by casting directors and led to an offer to do "Queer Eye" — one that came days after he sold his businesses so to start a family.

Kids are on hold for now as he tours with the cast and prepares for the June release of his memoir, "Naturally Tan." France, 35, says he knew his life was different the day that Jon Bon Jovi asked for a selfie with him. He gets plenty of questions about his distinctive silver hair, which started going gray at age 17.

"I will not dye it. I have no desire to dye it," he said. Instead, he styles his naturally curly tresses into a tall blow-out. □

Spectator charged with assaulting WWE star Bret Hart



In this March 28, 2010, file photo, Bret "Hit Man" Hart celebrates his victory over Mr. McMahon at WrestleMania XXVI in Glendale, Ariz.

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NEW YORK (AP) — Authorities say a spectator faces assault and trespassing charges after tackling wrestler Bret "The Hitman" Hart while he was giving a speech during the WWE Hall of Fame ceremony in Brooklyn.

Bail was set at \$1,500 for Zachary Madsen of Lincoln, Nebraska at a hearing on Sunday night. The judge also issued orders of protection barring Madsen from approaching Hart, who wasn't hurt, and a se-

curity worker.

Other wrestlers helped subdue the attacker. Hart resumed his speech.

Prosecutors said in court that Madsen told police that he "felt like it was right moment" to go after the wrestling legend.

His lawyer said Madsen is "agreeable and cooperative" and has no criminal convictions.

WWE described Madsen as "an over-exuberant fan."

Madsen had a previous run-in with a fighter in Lincoln. □

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